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Understanding Public Employee

Pensions – a presentation by Dan

Borenstein about the problems of

public-employee pension funding. At

this event Borenstein will explain the

inner-workings of these retirement

plans, delving into how they are fi-

nanced and why they are leaving bil-

lions of dollars of debt for our

children to pay. The event is Thurs-

day, June 21 at 7pm, the Orinda Li-

brary Auditorium, 26 Orinda Way,

The Half Price Book Sale will be

held Saturday, May 29, from 9am-

5pm at the Friends Corner Book Shop

at the corner of First and Golden Gate

Friends of the Orinda Library

Book Sale Thursday, June 7 from

10am -1pm in the sorting room and

book shop, Orinda Library, 26 Orinda

Way, Orinda. Funds raised are used

for books, other library materials, and

programs. For more info, call (925)

Brounstein will discuss and sign

copies of his new book, a remarkable

true story, Two Among the Righteous

Few: A Story of Courage in the Holo-

caust, Saturday, June 9, Orinda

Books, 276 Village Square, Orinda.

For more info, visit www.orindabooks.com or contact Janet Boreta at

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Randolph, RPT, has been practicing physical therapy for 32 years. Learn how improving posture and muscle strength can reduce or eliminate pain altogether. The workshop is May 25 from 11:30am to 12:30pm at the Lafayette Community Center in the Sequoia Room. Please call (925) 284-5050 to register. The cost is \$1 for

Members and \$3 for Non-Members.

Tikkun Leyl Shavuot. A community-wide celebration and night of learning from teachers of the Bay Area Jewish community presented by JCC of the East Bay May 26 – 27, 6:15pm until dawn at JCC East Bay, 1414 Walnut Street, Berkeley. For more info, visit

www.jcceastbay.org/events/2012/05/2 6/jewishlife/tikkun-leyl-shavuot/ or call (510) 229-8993. Free.

Stage Your Home Like a Pro. Get tips and inspiration on how to turn any room into a showroom. Learn the tricks of professional home stagers. Get planning help, ideas, and resources on home improvement. There will be a presentation Tuesday, May 29 from 10:30am to noon at the Lafayette Community Center in the Elderberry Room. The cost is \$1 for Members and \$3 for Non-Members. Please call (925) 284-5050 to sign up.

"Saving Orinda's Oldest Treasure."
There will be a presentation by Kent Long on the progress and challenges related to preserving the oldest building in the county, the Joaquin Moraga Adobe May 30 at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall at the Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda. Free. For more info, call (925) 254-8444.

Find Your Perfect Match at Maddie's® Matchmaker Adoptathon. Visit ARF on June 9 and 10 when puppies, kittens, dogs and cats all go home with no adoption fees, and ARF receives a grant of at least \$500 from Maddie's Fund® for each qualifying adoption - helping us rescue even more! Limit of two adoptions per household; standard adoption criteria apply. Tony La Russa's Animal Rescue Foundation, 2890 Mitchell Drive, Walnut Creek; phone (925) 256-1273.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer 5k Walk Saturday, June 16. Registration 8am; walk at 9am., Heather Farm Park, Walnut Creek. How Far is it? 5k equals about 3 miles. For more info, or to register visit http://makingstrides.acsevents.org/walnutcreek.

Theater View Veterinary Clinic open house June 16, 3-5pm, 1 Bates Blvd., Orinda. Receive free heartworm

Anne Randolph Workshop. Anne Randolph, RPT, has been practicing physical therapy for 32 years. Learn pets and their people.

Lamorinda Dogs Off Leashed Party Saturday, June 2, 6pm, Rancho Laguna Park, Moraga. Please bring a dish to share, a beverage to enjoy and a dog waste bag to clean up after your dog.

eWaste & Documents for Shredding Fundraiser for Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa County. This is an event for recycling and shredding from 9am-10 pm June 16 at the Lafayette Christian Church, 584 Glenside Drive, Lafayette. Cost: \$5 fee for certain items and \$8 for shredding per Bankers Box. For more info, visit www.ctrecycling.net or call (510) 352-2665

Motorama World of Wheels. Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary is presenting Lafayette's premiere auto show. See classic cars, bikes, and motorcycles Sunday, June 17 from 9am to 4pm at the Clock Tower and Bank of the West parking lots on Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. There will be food, beverages, raffles, car swag, live entertainment, and more. For more info, visit www.motorama.us. Free.

Loaves and Fishes first Annual Event "Food for Thought" summer garden party Sunday, June 24 from 2-5pm, Hacienca de las Flores, 2100 Donald Drive, Moraga. \$50 per person. Food prepared and served by renowned East Bay's chefs as well as live and silent auctions. All proceeds from this event will benefit Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa County, a local agency that has been providing hot nutritious meals for those in need since 1983. To purchase tickets, visit www.loavesfishescc.org and click on Register~Food for Thought or call (925) 687-6760.

CLUBS

Sons in Retirement Lamorinda Branch 171 meets the first Wednesday monthly (social hour at 11am; lunch at noon) at Holy Trinity Culture Center, 1700 School Street, Moraga. The next after-lunch speaker will be Tapan Monrose whose topic will be "The Economy as Seen by Tapan." Monrose usually covers issues relating to our nation, state, and personal finances. For more info, contact Larry at (925) 631-9528.

Please submit events to: calendar@lamorinda weekly.com

What to Expect When You're Expecting

By Derek Zemrak



Photo Lions Gate Entertainment

have to say I was hesitant about how screenwriters Shauna Cross (Whip It) and Heather Hach (Freaky Friday) were going to adapt the bestseller "What To Expect When You're Expecting" from Heidi Murkoff, dubbed by the New York Times as "the pregnancy bible," into a feature film, but they did it and did it right! As with the book, the movie addresses all aspects of pregnancy, from miscarriage to adoption, mood swings and emotional breakdowns down to cankles!

The film follows five couples through different stages of pregnancy. The ensemble cast including Cameron Diaz, Jennifer Lopez, Elizabeth Banks (The 40 Year Old Virgin), Brooklyn Decker (Just Go With It), Matthew Morrison (Glee), Ben Falcone (Bridesmaids), Dennis Quaid, Chris Rock, and Rodrigo Santoro (300). All do an admirable job. However, I would have to say that Rebel Wilson (Bridesmaids) was the scene-stealer. Wilson had several of the funniest lines in the movie as the eccentric sales girl in the maternity store. One of the best lines was delivered to her boss: "Can I take my 15-minute Facebook break?"

As with most pregnancies, surprises happen along the way and this screenplay touches on those moments. All pregnancies are different; some easy, some not so easy, some complicated and some tragic. High praise must be given to the screenwriters as well as to the director, Kirk Jones (Waking Ted Devine), for keeping the non-comedic, difficult elements in the film.

It was enjoyable to watch "What to Expect When You're Expecting" and reminded me of trying to find a banana cream pie at 2:30 a.m. to satisfy my wife's craving. All I can say is thank you Nations for being open 24 hours a day. I highly recommend this entertaining movie. Make it a girls' night out, but this time bring along the husbands or significant others as everyone will find some exceedingly funny moments to share, remember and rekindle.

Derek Zemrak is a Film Critic, Film Producer and Founder of the California Independent Film Festival. You can follow Derek on Twitter @zemrak for the latest Hollywood news.

KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

Family Activity Day & Open House at Roughing It Day Camp. This is a great opportunity for new families to see our site and try some camp activities Saturday, June 2 at 10am, 3849 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. For more info, visit www.roughingit.com or call (925) 283-3795.

POISE Family Park Day: Orinda families who have a child in Special Education can enjoy an afternoon of friendship and fun! Meet other families and reconnect with friends, while the kids run and play Sunday, June 3, 2:30-4:30pm, Dalewood Park, Orinda (Corner of Dalewood Dr./Sundown Terrace). Please bring your own snacks, drinks and a blanket. No RSVP needed. For questions or suggestions, e-mail

cabennett_98@yahoo.com or visit www.orindapoise.org.

OTHER

Synchronized Swimming. Walnut Creek Aquanuts will be performing Celebration of Champions Saturday, June 16 from 5- 8 pm at Heather Farm Park, Clarke Memorial Swim Center. Tickets are available at the door for \$15. For more info, visit www.aquanuts.org.

Food for Thought A Summer Garden Party

When: Sunday, June 24
Time: 2:00pm—5:00pm

Where: Hacienda De Las Flores 2100 Donald Dr., Moraga



Cost: \$50 per ticket

Did You Know:

1 in 6 Contra Costans live below the poverty line? 1 in 4 children in Contra Costa experience hunger each year? Loaves and Fishes serves over 750 meals a day to the hungry! • Food prepared and served by renowned East Bay's chefs Jeff Asadi La Finestra Jon Avalos Lafayette Park Hotel & Spa

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- Bocce ball and croquet on the beautiful groundsWine Tasting, beer and other beverages

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