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"Our creeks, environment, and sewage treatment - How does it all work?" Speaker Michael Scahill, from the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, will give a free public lecture sponsored by Friends of Orinda Creeks at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 26 in the Garden Room at the Orinda Library. Learn about: how the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District works, the Sanitary District as a steward to the environment, and how we can prevent sewer overflows. For info, contact Jim Luini, (925) 254-6208.

Contra Costa Tale Spinners: Keeping the Oral Tradition Alive Informal gathering with featured performer Jim Barnard, host of Poetry Express in Berkeley, followed by "open mic" stories. From 7 to 9 p.m. on the 4th Thursday of every month, Gallery Room of the Orinda Public Library, 24 Orinda Way. Contact: Sally Holzman, (925) 478-8488, or Liz Nichols at liz@liznichols.net. Free.

State-of-the-art "cross-cut" shredding will be done from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 29 at 5A Rent-A-Space in the Shred Defense Truck starting at just \$5 per file box. Save your boxes of papers to be shredded for March. Financial advisors, attorneys, medical offices, and other businesses can meet their legal obligation to dispose of clients' information responsibly, while helping send Lamorinda middle school girls to AAUW's Tech Trek Science and Math Camp. Shredding details: Government Specified Approved Shred, HIPAA Compliant Shredding, TWIC Certified Drivers. Certificates of Destruction and Donation receipts will be provided.

Workshops on "How to Raise Your Own Chickens" in Lafayette. Topics will include raising young chicks, laying hen maintenance, and sustainable coop construction. Workshops are free and will be held from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on Sundays during March. Reservations are required. Contact: jhkiefer@comcast.net.

The Moraga Women's Society is holding its annual "Brunch, Bridge and Bunco" event from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, March 31 at the Holy Trinity Cultural Center, School Street, Moraga. Brunch, catered by Terzetto's of Moraga, begins at 11 a.m. followed by games from noon to 2:45 p.m. Gather your friends for a round of bridge or bunco. Gentlemen are welcome! Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased from any member of the Society. For information call (925) 376-3187.

The Lafayette Community Foundation (LCF) is accepting grant applications from local non-profits for its spring and positive life experience. Drop-ins grant cycle. LCF invests in programs welcome! From 10:30 a.m. to noon on and projects that promote and enhance the second Thursday monthly in the Sethe civic, cultural, educational and envi-quoia Room, Lafayette Community ronmental health of Lafayette and be- Center. Cost: \$1 members; \$3 nonyond. The grant deadline is March 31 please submit by emailing application to application online http://www.lafayettecf.org.

Berkeley's Osher Lifelong Learning moves with professional dancers Karen Institute begin April 1 at Lafayette Library and Learning Center: "Health lesson and live DJ services, playing your Care Reform: Medical Practice and favorites and taking requests. Cost:

Medical Ethics" taught by M. Michael Thaler, MD. from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays, "Proust and His World" taught by Larry Bensky from 10 a.m. to noon on Thursdays, and "Art and Architecture of Turkey" taught by Kerrin Meis from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. on Thursdays. For more information, visit olli.berkeley.edu or call (510) 642-9934.

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Vermicomposting (Worms!) and Bin **Building Workshop** from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 5 at Heather Farm Community Center, Walnut Creek. \$20.00 registration fee; 20 household max capacity. Registration form must be submitted by March http://www.wastediversion.org/app_pag es/view/1723.

POLITICAL GATHERINGS

The Lamorinda Democratic Club's next meeting at 7:15 p.m. Thursday, March 13 at the Lafayette Library and Community Learning Center will feature a panel discussion regarding the California court system. Like every other segment of state government, the California court system has been significantly impacted by the economic crisis that began in 2008. Justices Mark Simons and Barry Goode will discuss the implications. Cost: \$5; students free. For info, call (925) 567-3367 or visit www.lamorindademoclub.org.

Join Assembly member Joan Buchanan at a complimentary pancake breakfast with neighbors to discuss legislative and community issues from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 22 at the Orinda Community Center. Check the website to RSVP and for other times locations: http://www.asmdc.org/members/a16/dis trict-events.

The June election is coming. Help people exercise their right to vote! Come to a nonpartisan Voter Engagement orientation from 10 to 11:15 a.m. Saturday, March 29 at the Lafayette Community Center, LWV office. Learn about registering voters, getting local candidate information onto the free website (smartvoter.org), candidate forums, ballot measure pros and cons, and more. Sponsored by League of Women Voters of Diablo Valley. For info, call Ashley at (925) 283-3638, or (925) 247-4034.

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Positive Living Forum ("Happiness Club") - Moderated by Dr. Bob Nozik, MD, Prof. Emeritus UCSF, Author of "Happy 4 Life: Here's How to Do It." Brighten your day and take part in this interactive gathering which features speakers on a wide range of topics that guide participants toward a more ideal

ternoon dancing the first Wednesday monthly from 12:30 to 3 p.m. in the Live Oak Room, Lafayette Community Three new six-week courses from UC Center and learn some great new dance and Michael, who will provide a dance

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members \$2; non-members \$4.

The Boomers' Journey to 100 Years Young - A workshop to empower and prepare Boomers from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 20 at the Lafayette Library, Art and Science Center. Workshop Topics: Aging Families, Levels of Care Covering Hospital to Home, and Common Estate Planning Pitfalls. Wine and hors d'oeuvres provided. Registration required by Tuesday, March 18.

Email Lori Luckenbach at LoriL@El-

dercareAnswers.com or call (925) 324-

Lafayette Oral History Project. Do you have stories about Lafayette in the days of yore? Allow SMC MFA candidate Ryan McKinley to document that history which will then be included in the Lafayette Historical Society's archives, preserved for generations to come. All you have to do is tell those stories to McKinley; he'll do the writing. You'll receive a copy of the final document at the time of completion. Call Lafayette Senior Services for details and to be a part of this project: (925) 284-5050. Free.

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GARDEN

Lafayette Garden Club March Plant and Craft Sale at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 10. Lafayette Christian Church 584 Glenside Dr., Lafayette. For info, contact cpoetzsch@gmail.com.

Lafayette Garden Club March meeting at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 13 at the Lafayette Christian Church 584 Glenside Dr., features speaker Stephan Andrews, professor at UC Berkeley, "Good Soil, Bad Soil, and Soil" and includes a soil testing demonstration. For info, email cpoetzsch@gmail.com.

The Moraga Garden Club general meeting will be held March 20 at The Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School St., Moraga. Social hour at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting starts at 10 a.m. Speaker Kathy Brenzel, garden editor at Sunset Magazine, will discuss "Garden Tomorrow's." Non-members are wel-

Montelindo Garden Club Meeting (third Friday, September through May) will be at 9 a.m. Friday, March 21 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 66 St. Stephens Drive, Orinda. Visitors welcome. Speaker Patrick Lannen, garden designer and consultant, Flora Grubb Gardens, will discuss "Succulent Jewel Boxes." For info, visit www.montelindogarden.com.

Water Conservation in your Garden Workshop at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 22. Scott Sommerfeld from EBMUD will be at McDonnell Nursery, Orinda to talk about water conservation efforts. With these water management tips, you can you save the plants you have, be able to continue to plant new ones and still enjoy your garden this year. Please

call (925) 254-3713 or email info@mc-

donnellnursery.com to reserve a seat.

"In Translation", a flower show presented by the Orinda Garden Club, will be held at the Orinda Country Club on March 28. The show, featuring floral designs, horticulture, photography, botanical art and a conservation exhibit on water is open to the public at no charge from 1 to 3 p.m. Please come and enjoy seeing how garden club members interpret the theme.

"Mow no Mo'!" or "How to remove your lawn, save water, and get paid for it, too" will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 29. In this hands-on workshop you'll learn how to remove your lawn and select drought-tolerant plants, and find out how to receive a clib.org or call (925) 376-6852.

lawn-removal rebate from your water district. Cost: \$30. Preregistration is required, at http://www.bringingbackthenatives.net/select-tours.

Lafayette Community Garden and Outdoor Learning Center – Lori Caldwell, certified Master Gardner Composter and a favorite teacher at the Community Garden will discuss "Big Gardens In Small Spaces: Container Gardening" from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 30 at the Lafayette Community Garden on Mt. Diablo Boulevard across from the Lafayette Reservoir. A \$5 donation per person to support our education programs is appreciated but not required. Register for our classes at our website: www.lafayettecommunitygarden.org.

Do you have questions about gardening? The Moraga Library wants to help you get ready for spring with the Contra Costa Master Gardeners, University of California Cooperative Extension, which will discuss "Container Gardening and Gardening in Small Spaces" from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, April 3. For more information, visit cc-





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Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary Club

We meet Friday mornings at 7 am at Celia's Mexican Restaurant, 3666 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette. For more info, please email us at lamorindasunrise@gmail.com

March 14:

Al Peterson and Larry Rose from Represent Us. Their topic is Big Money and Congress: Problem and Practical Solution

March 21: Susan Captain, Founding Member of the Lamorinda Wine Growers Association. Susan's topic is LAMORINDA-

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