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### LECTURE & LITERATURE

**Sunrise Rotary presents speakers** Ryan Sykes, "My Life and Sentinels of Freedom," at 7 a.m. Friday, Dec. 5 and Dennis Erokan "Get Famous" at 7 a.m. Friday, Dec. 12 at the Lafayette Park Hotel. Go to www.lamorindasunrise.org more info about the Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary Group and its initia-

### KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

Lamorinda Reads: Write to a Service Member anytime between 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8 at the Orinda Library. The Orinda Library is partnering with A Million Thanks to send letters of appreciation and support to service members, both active and veterans. Write a note at our table and it will be forwarded to a service member. Contact Lin Look at the Orinda Library for details. All ages.

The Central Contra Costa Solid Waste Authority (CCCSWA) has created a new scholarship for high school students who are implementing waste reduction and recycling programs on their high school campuses. Up to three scholarships (\$4,000 each) will be awarded to high school seniors entering college next fall. Please contact Ruth Abbe or Nancy Deming for more information about the program: email Ruth.Abbe@abbeassociates.com, (925) 974-2575 or nancyldeming@gmail.com, (510) 290-4875.

### **OTHER**

Social Media Strategies Workshop Series - Building a Strong Local Network in a Social Media World will highlight local opportunities for forging new connections ners. and how social media can build upon those face to face interactions at 8 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19 at the Lafayette Library.

All are invited to attend the Saint Dec. 3, 10, and 17 in Lafayette. Mary's College Guild Christmas Party celebration at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 4 at the Saint Mary's College Soda Center. In addition to an elegant and delicious meal, the Saint Mary's College gold medalperform. The committee also plans baskets. Cost: \$45 per person. Con-(925) 376-3308.

**families to donate** unwrapped gifts \$20 per person. appropriate for kids 13 and up from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday Dec. 6 at **Document Your Life Story – a** Campolindo High School. There memoir workshop and craft class will also be a bake sale to raise money for the Campolindo Girls Softball team.

Rx SAFE - Lamorinda Prescription Drug Misuse and Abuse Initiative - a community awareness program that will help curb this health crisis in our local communities from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10 at Orinda City Hall. For info, or to RSVP, contact Jaime 349-7338 (925)Rich Jaime@chd-prevention.org.

Winter Solstice Ceremony Celebrating Lucina, Scandinavian Goddess of the Returning Light, Dark Moon in Sagittarius by Local Goddess Circle. Daughters of the Goddess, a Bay Area women-only Goddess Temple, will be holding our yearly Winter Solstice Ritual from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20. Location: East Bay address upon RSVP. Newcomers: \$15. Contact Leilani at (925) 787-9247 or email Leilani@DaughtersoftheGoddess.com. Website: www.DaughtersoftheGoddess.com.

Registration is now open for the next series of Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) classes. They will be held at the Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road. Classes begin Jan. 13 and are held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. every Tuesday night through Feb. 24. Classes are open to residents and employees of the Lamorinda area, as well as teenagers 16 and above with a parent and are free of cost, however we do ask for a commitment to attend all classes. Register online at www.lamorindacert.org.

### **SENIORS**

Living with Alzheimer's: Early Stage Alzheimer's - Educational program for individuals with Early Stage Alzheimer's disease or related dementia, and their Care Part-Many topics covered, including coping with the diagnosis and changes, planning for the future, learning about research and treatment options and caring for important relationships Wednesdays, Time given at completion of registration. Pre-registration is required. Please contact Lan Trinh at (800) 272-3900 or ltrinh@alz.org to reg-

winning Chorale who traveled to Moraga Movers Holiday Lunch-Europe to compete and win the eon at Saint Mary's College Soda choral challenge with similar Center from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on groups from other countries will Monday, Dec. 8 will feature the College's international award winto have baked items, a money tree, ning singers in a program of conand beautiful items in Christmas temporary and holiday music. The entrée will be London broil with all tact Pat Mc Enaney for more info at the trimmings and apple pie for dessert. Reservations are required and can be made at (925) 376-6622 Join the Toys for Tots event for or on the Movers website. Cost:

> that emphasizes the importance of storytelling and is offered through Lafayette Senior Services and Saint Mary's College of California's MFA

program. DYLS will be hosting its first-ever Celebration of Writing Class Reading, during which members from the class will share some of their incredible stories. The reading will take place from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Elderberry Room of the Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road on Wednesday, Dec. 10. Refreshments will be provided. Family, friends, and members of the community are invited to attend.

Sons In Retirement - Las Trampas Branch 116 Christmas party for SIR members, their spouses or guests. Don your holiday attire and enjoy an excellent dinner and dancing Tuesday, Dec. 16 at the beautiful Round Hill Country Club. For info about SIR activities for retired please men, www.Branch116.org or call (925) 322-1160.

> Please submit events to: calendar@ lamorinda weekly.com







Please join us at our new location THE LAFAYETTE PARK HOTEL

on Friday mornings at 7am. For more info, please email us at lamorindasunrise@amail.com

### **December 5:**

Veteran, fellow Rotarian and Sentinels of Freedom Scholarship Program graduate Ryan Sykes will speak about the Sentinels of Freedom program.

#### December 12:

Dennis Erokan, CEO of The Placemaking Group and founder of BAM and the Bammies will speak to us about how to "Get Famous".

Please join us for a great speaker and breakfast!!

# You're Invited\* To Take a Photo with Santa

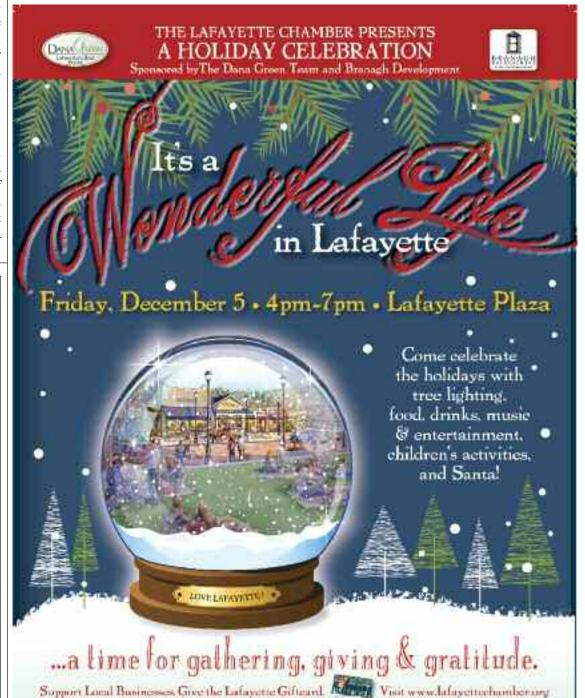
So Bring Your Camera! Saturday, Dec 6<sup>th</sup> Noon - 3:00 p.m.

Holiday Clowns · Balloon Art **Between Tuesday Morning and Nation's Giant Hamburgers** 

> \*With your Rheem Valley Shopping Center receipts totaling \$25.00 or more Or visit us online at rheemvalley.net (While supplies last)



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