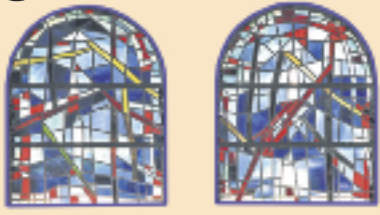


Lamorinda's Religious Services



SAINT GILES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

9am Sunday School & Communion Service in the SMC Chapel



stgiles-moraga.org
(925) 376-5770
traditional liturgy + inclusive theology

The Orinda Community Church

An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ

10 Irwin Way, Orinda | 925.254.4906 | www.orindachurch.org

"No matter who you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!"

Join us Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

St. Anselm's Episcopal Church

A Loving Community

Sunday Services: 8 and 10 AM

In-church Youth Zone, 10 AM Nursery Childcare
682 Michael Lane, Lafayette, 284-7420, www.stanselms.ws

Lafayette United Methodist Church

955 Moraga Rd., Lafayette,
284-4765, office@thelumc.org

Worship	Sunday	10 am
Children & Teen Faith Formation	Sunday	10 am
Teen Fellowship	Sunday	6 pm
Study Groups, Service Opportunities	Various	
Free Community Luncheon	4th Sunday of Month	11:30 am



► SUNDAY Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 AM,
with programs for 3-mos.-12th grade.

► SEEDLINGS Preschool, M-F.

► LOPC: Where everyone is welcome, nobody is perfect & anything is possible with God.

LAFAYETTE-ORINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
LOPC.org

ORINDA CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

24 Orinda Way (next to the Library) - 254-4212

Sunday Service and Sunday School 10 - 11 am
Informal Wednesday Meeting 7:30 - 8:30 pm
Reading Room/Bookstore M - F 11 - 4; Sat 11 - 2

www.christianscienceorinda.org



Worship the Lord!
Sundays, 9 & 10:30am

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Willow Spring Community Church

Loving God Loving People

Come and Meet our New Pastor

Sundays: 9:15am Adult Sunday School Classes
10:15am Pre-Service Fellowship (Free Coffee & Bagels)
10:45am Contemporary Worship Service

Wednesdays: 10:00am Community Bible Study
1689 School Street, Moraga (925) 376-3550
www.willowspringchurch.net

Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church

433 Moraga Way, Orinda, 254-3422
www.holy shepherd.org



8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
9:40 a.m. Education for all ages
10:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship
Coffee Fellowship at 9:30 and 11:45 a.m.
Childcare available for ages 5 and younger

◆ Not to be missed ◆ Not to be missed ◆

ART

The exhibit "Art Appassionata," featuring the light-washed landscapes and portraits by Lisa Gunn of Orinda and oil paintings of the California coastline by Carol Tarzier, launches the Moraga Art Gallery's 2015 schedule of shows. The show runs from Jan. 14 to March 24. The public is invited to a free opening reception from 5 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 17 in the gallery at 522 Center Street in Moraga's Rheem Shopping Center. Fifteen member artists of the gallery also have paintings, photographs, ceramics, jewelry and finely-crafted woodware on display. For more information, go to www.moragaartgallery.com, call 925/376-5407 or email moragaartgallery@gmail.com.

The Bancroft Library Gallery presents "California: Captured on Canvas" – an exhibit of 43 remarkable paintings from the library's collection highlighting the state's history and culture that have drawn people to California. The exhibit runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through March 6, UC Berkeley Campus, Doe Library Annex.

Jennifer Perlmutter Gallery presents a solo exhibit with artist Julie Schumer. "Without Hesitation" focuses on recent work in the artist's bold expressive style. Landscapes are constructed in an intuitive manner in the tradition of post-modern expressionism. The show runs through Feb. 14. For more info, visit www.jenniferperlmuttergallery.com or call (925) 284-1485.

Orinda Library Art Gallery Exhibitors 2015 - January: Tom Winn, ceramics; Embroiderer's Guild of America, Sheila Iskin. February: Carla Gelbaum, paintings.

The Lafayette Art Gallery kicks off the new year with the exhibition, "Voyages," which runs through Feb. 28. Artists show works depicting their travels, as well as the journeys they undertake to create their art. In January, featured artists will be Dalia Alekna and photographer Warren Emmett Rice. In February, the featured artists will be Marsha Ramp and Susan Erickson. The gallery will also be hosting a special Jewelry exhibit "A Jewelry Extravaganza! Baubles and Bling!" Jan. 27 through Valentine's Day, with a reception scheduled from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6. For info, call (925) 284-2788 or visit www.lafayetteartgallery.com.

MUSIC

The Gold Coast Chamber Players concert, "Serenade," pays homage to early 20th century Romanticism, with lush instrumentation and daring new harmonies. The concert will be held at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, and features two key members of the San Francisco Opera Orchestra, Principal Harpist Olga Rakitchenkov, and Principal Flutist Julie McKenzie. A pre-concert talk will start the evening at 7 p.m. Tickets are available at www.gcplayers.org and by phone at (925) 283-3728. Limited seating, please reserve early.

THEATER

Role Players Ensemble Auditions: "Of Mice and Men" (John Steinbeck; director Eric Fraisher Hayes). Five male roles (ages 20-60), one female (age 20-30). All ethnicities encouraged. Roles of George and Lennie pre-cast. Monologue and cold read. Non-AEA. Stipend. Auditions from 3 to 6 p.m. on Jan. 18 at Danville Town Meeting Hall, 201 Front Street, Danville. Rehearsals begin March 2. Performances: April 17-May 3. For appointments, email efhayes65@yahoo.com or call (312) 286-9224.

Saint Mary's College Performing Arts Department presents "Pinocchio" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28 and at 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29 at LeFevre Theatre, Saint Mary's College, 1928 St. Mary's Road, Moraga. Tickets: \$8 for the general public; \$5 for Saint Mary's students, faculty and staff. www.stmarys-ca.edu/performingarts or www.brownpapertickets.com. For more info, call the Performing Arts office at (925) 631-4670.

Diablo Ballet's Enticing Beauty Program features works by Christopher Wheeldon, George Balanchine, Sonya Delwaide and Robert Dekkers, and will run Feb. 6-7 at Del Valle Theatre. The performances, which place the audience within close proximity of the stage, feature live music and a lively, interactive Q&A with the dancers, hosted by local celebrity moderators. A dessert reception will give audience members an opportunity to get up close and personal with the artists. Playtimes are 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6 and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7 at the Del Valle Theatre, 1963 Tice Valley Boulevard, Walnut Creek. Purchase tickets online at www.LesherArtsCenter.org or by calling (925) 943-7469.

Role Players Ensemble presents "The Ladies Man" by Charles Morey, from a farce by Georges Feydeau Runs from Jan. 30 to Feb. 15, 8 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays at the Village Theatre, 233 Front Street, Danville. In Belle Époque Paris, the newly married Dr. Molineaux tells "one tiny, little lie" to cover an innocent but embarrassing indiscretion. Tickets: \$20-28; online at www.RolePlayersEnsemble.com; at Danville Community Center, 420 Front St, Danville; or call (925) 314-3400 Free Sneak Peek: 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21, Danville Library.

LECTURE & LITERATURE

Michael Butler is in his eighth season as artistic director of Center Rep at the Lesher Center for the Arts in Walnut Creek. Under his direction he has brought enthusiastic audiences a wonderful variety of plays, combining drama, comedy and music in productions that delight his audiences. He will share his love of theater with Moraga Women's Society at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 26 at the Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School Street, Moraga.

Join Julia Scheeres, Berkeley resident and New York Times and London Times bestselling author as she discusses her latest book, "A Thousand Lives: The Untold Story of Jonestown" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15 as part of Sweet Thursday program at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center. In this true life story of blind loyalty and daring escapes, of corrupted ideals and senseless, haunting loss, Scheeres follows the experiences of five Peoples Temple members who went to Jonestown. Free.

Ranger Raphael Allen from the Rosie the Riveter National Park will examine the powerful role of women in the WWII workforce at the Orinda, Moraga and Lafayette Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) meeting, 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20 at the Holy Trinity Serbian Church Cultural Center at 1700 School Street, Moraga. Free.

January Term Speaker Series at Saint Mary's College: Alan and Karen Jabbar "Life-Changing Encounters with Appalachian Culture" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20 (Soda Center); Matthew Boger, Tim Zaal, and Jason Cohen "Facing Fear: A Path to Forgiveness" at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21 (Hagerty Lounge); Tobias Buckell "The Future You Don't See" at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26 (Soda Center); and Theresa Sparks "The Emerging TGNC (Trans-Gender-Non-Conforming) Community: Challenges and Opportunities" at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28 (Hagerty Lounge). Free. (See story page B3)

KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

Contra Costa Children's Chorus – a nonprofit, community-based organization for boys and girls, ages 4-18 years – is accepting new members for the spring semester. Rehearsals are held weekly at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1035 Carol Lane, Lafayette. For a free placement interview, visit www.childrenschorus.org and fill out the registration form under "Join Us," or email frontdesk@childrenschorus.org.

Frozen Crafts at the Moraga Library at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20. The cold doesn't bother you anyway! Come to the library to create and de-

corate your own snowflakes, sparkly jewelry, and toilet paper roll Olafs (and, of course, sing along to "Let It Go") at Moraga Library's Frozen Crafts day. For more info, visit ccllib.org or call (925) 376-6852.

Orinda Teen Advisory Council (OTAC) - Teens are invited to join OTAC anytime. The Orinda Teen Advisory Council (grades 6 to 12) meets at 4 p.m. the first Monday of the month, from September to June, at the Orinda Community Center, 28 Orinda Way. Work with other teens and teen councils in the Lamorinda area to provide input about programs and events for area teens. For more info, call (925) 254-2445 or email orindateenadvisorycouncil@gmail.com.

Contra Costa County High School Mock Trial is looking for legal professionals to volunteer a few hours of their expertise at the upcoming 34th Annual Contra Costa County High School Mock Trial Program, held in the early evenings throughout the month of February at the Martinez Court Rooms. Volunteers will score two competing schools that argue the cases in their assigned court. Each night will begin with a 15-minute rules and regulations session, then the volunteers will go into their scheduled courtrooms to serve as Mock Trial judge and scorers. Interested volunteers can learn more by visiting the CCCOE's Mock Trial Web page, or contacting Jonathan Lance at (925) 942-3429.

OTHER

Bentley School will present the Freedom Award to Honor Former FBI Special Agent Jim Clemente at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15 at the Bentley School Student Performing Arts Center (SPAC), 1000 Upper Happy Valley Rd. in Lafayette for his success in investigating and prosecuting crime and advocating for its victims. Clemente, who is currently an expert advisor and writer for CBS's "Criminal Minds," will share his own experiences and determination to protect children and adults, across the country. Free.

Community Crab Feast sponsored by Orinda Rotary at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 17 at the Orinda Masonic Lodge, 9 Altarinda Road. This is your chance to enjoy all-you-can-eat, fresh off-the-boat cracked crab, plus pasta, salad, and bread courtesy of La Piazza and served family style. Wine, beer and cocktails will be available for purchase. Reservations are required. Tickets: \$50; can be purchased online at http://www.orindarotary.org.

Free Open House: Exploring Mind and Self from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17 at Dharma College, 2222 Harold Way, Berkeley. Meet faculty and students, learn about the winter program, tour the landmark building, participate in a mini-course, and enjoy refreshments. For more info, visit dharma-college.com or call (510) 809-2010. Free.

League of Women Voters of Diablo Valley monthly program and discussion, "The Future of Public Transportation," featuring one of BART's elected members, Gail Murray from 3 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17 in the Lafayette Community Center Cedar Room. League and Non-league members welcome.

St. Mark's Church at 451 Moraga Way, Orinda, will observe the week of Christian unity, interfaith relations and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 18 with a workshop featuring Father Tom Bonacci of the Interfaith Peace Project and music by the Chorus of Sufism Reoriented and guitarist Christopher Giffen. For more info, call St. Mark's United Methodist Church at (925) 254-5965.

Lamorinda Home Expo '15 - A Home Show for the Lamorinda Community. Lamorinda Home Expo '15 offers the latest trends in home and landscape improvement and design. Homeowners wondering how to make changes to their home will get answers to their questions and find local high quality contractors and suppliers. The expo runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25 at the Veterans Memorial Building, 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Free.

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