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Strange and Silly Sightings on Lamorinda Rooftops and Beyond

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Searching for something out of the ordinary as the year ends? Sometimes you need not look any farther than in Lamorinda's own backyards!



Rooftop Homage to the Force Colby Powell's family likes "Star Wars." A lot. Why else would the Lafayette residents have constructed a Death Star atop their house? The show-stopping light show became a media darling in the weeks leading up to the release of the newest installment about a galaxy far, far away. Photo Cathy Dausman



Insects on Steroids Lamorinda Weekly writer Vic Ryerson spotted this overgrown caterpillar "off the beaten track" at the Pease home in Orinda. Perhaps it could be featured in a sequel to author Lewis Carroll's book called "Alice in Lamorinda Land." Another piece of art has a dragonfly adorning an oversized leaf in the Pease's backyard. Photo Victor Ryerson



Citrus Fingers In this Moraga backyard, the art is of a more natural variety. This odd looking citrus looks as if someone gave a lemon a jolt of electricity. The Buddha's fingers, or fingered citron, is nearly all rind. It can be used simply as a good smelling decoration or the rind can be used in cooking or to flavor alcoholic drinks, says Moraga resident Thomas Delfino. Either way, it gives new meaning to ordering a drink with "a twist" of lemon! Photo Cathy Dausman

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