

MOVIE REVIEW

Sally Field Proves Again Why We Really Like Her in 'Doris'

By Derek Zemrak



Image provided

Sally Field, once America's Sweetheart, is proving herself to be "America's Grandma" in "Hello, My Name is Doris."

Two-time Oscar-winner Field is back on top of her game doing what she does best – making an audience "like" her. In "Hello, My Name is Doris," Field plays an older woman, Doris, who, after seeing a self-help guru, gets the courage to romantically pursue a much younger co-worker. Sally makes the movie and you just want more of her, much like the olden days in her roles in "Smokey and the Bandit," "Norma Rae" and "Places in the Heart."

Doris (Sally Field) gets help and advice from her best friend Roz, brilliantly casted with five-time Golden Globe-nominee, Tyne Daly ("Cagney & Lacey") and

her granddaughter Vivian (Isabella Acres). The advice, fights and banter between the three makes for several enjoyable scenes.

Doris is at a crossroad of life as a 60-something "plain Jane" accountant at a Brooklyn clothing company who would prefer to stay in her cubicle crunching numbers. Doris is dealing with the passing of her mother and questioning what life is all about. She gets a spark in her that has not been lit for years when she meets the young co-worker, John ("New Girl's" Max Greenfield). It is fun to see a flip of genders in the film, when an older woman is pursuing a much younger man.

"Hello, My Name is Doris" is a cute, enjoyable movie but predictable and missing a few surprises to be an award winner. But nevertheless it's an entertaining film. Once again Sally, we like you, we really like you!

"My Name is Doris" is rated R for language with a TRT (Total Running Time) of one hour and 35 minutes.

Upcoming Rheem and Orinda Theatre Events:

- 7 p.m. April 14** – Free Movie Night in Orinda: "Die Hard," starring Bruce Willis
- 1 p.m. April 16** – Sci-Fi Day Four – Irwin Allen Tribute with special guests, Marta Kristen ("Lost in Space") and Gary Conway ("Land of the Giants").
- 7 p.m. April 23** – Fatty Arbuckle Festival with live piano score performed by Patti Liedecker.
- 7 p.m. May 21** – The Rheem USO Canteen – A Memorial Day Tribute to the songs and memories of war ballads, patriotic songs and just good ole American patriotism with Adam Reeves and Patti Liedecker.

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April 8 Sandra Scherer, Executive Director of the Monument Crisis Center	April 15 Diann Grimm, Partners in Sustainable Learning, Nepal
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Wine Barrel Raffle: 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winner drawings on May 1, 2016 Proceeds fund various community service projects. Buy \$10 raffle tickets from our Rotary Club members. See particulars at lamorindasunrise.org

Lafayette Rotary Club

Step in on a Thursday and join us for our lunch meeting.
Thursday at noon Oakwood Athletic Club, 4000 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette.

April 7: Greg Gillis, PG&E	April 14: Beth Needel, Executive Director Lafayette Library and Learning Center Foundation
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Not to be missed

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Moraga Women's Society will be going back to their roots when they present "Couture for Moraga," a fashion show and luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, April 18 at the Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School St., Moraga. They will present nine popular community members as models: Ellen Beans, Edy Schwartz, Teresa Onoda, Ginny Ruble, Feona Marlowe, Judy Ayres, Linda Borrelli, Elsie Mastick, and Sally Whipple. For reservations, call (925) 376-3187.

The internationally acclaimed documentary "An American Ascent" about the first African American expedition to tackle North America's highest peak, Denali, will be screened at the Orinda Library Auditorium at 7 p.m. on April 20. Expedition member, Scott Briscoe, will introduce the film and speak about his on-going work. Free and open to the public. First come, first seated. For more information, call (925) 254-2184 or email bgirshma@cclib.org.

The City of Orinda will be beautified and cleaned during the eighth annual Orinda Action Day of Community Service by community volunteers from 9:30 to noon Saturday, April 23. A new theme this year is "Keep Orinda Beautiful!" There is a poster contest for K-12 students in conjunction with Orinda Action Day, with cash prizes for the winners. Completed posters are due by noon April 23. They may be turned in at the Library Plaza on Orinda Action Day April 23, or dropped off before at Mechanics Bank, 77 Moraga Way, Orinda. Back of poster must be marked with name, grade and contact information.

Join Friends of Orinda Creeks for Orinda Action Day 2016 and help clean up San Pablo Creek from 9:30 to noon on Saturday, April 23. Meet at the booth in front of the Library. Wear long pants and a hat, bring gloves if you have them. Other tools will be provided.

The Lafayette Earth Day Celebration will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 24 at the Lafayette Library & Learning Center, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Help support children and families affected by AIDS in Zimbabwe. Get your family and friends together for the 13th Annual JF Kapnek Trust Family Fun Run and post-race brunch from 9 a.m. to noon on May

1 at Miramonte High School - 750 Moraga Way, Orinda. All race participants receive a T-shirt and delicious post-race brunch, music, kids' craft booth, face painting, prizes for the top finishers and more.

Mark your calendars for A Taste of Lafayette, the city's 14th Annual Restaurant Walk on Tuesday, May 17, 2016. This is an opportunity to tour Lafayette's finest dining establishments and sample the signature cuisine of each restaurant. Cost is \$45 per person if purchased by May 6, 2016; \$50 per person after that date. Visit www.lafayettechamber.org/events/taste-of-lafayette/ for more information.

SENIORS

The Stroke Support Group of Contra Costa County will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. on April 11 in the Concord I Room at John Muir Medical Center, 2540 East Street, Concord. The topic will be: Vision Restoration Therapy with NovaVision, a therapeutic approach to improve visual abilities following a stroke or traumatic brain injury. For info, contact Ann Dzuna at (925) 376-6218. Free.

So You Think You Can Dance? The Moraga Movers will be entertained by U.S. Open Swing Dance Champion Kurt Senser and his partner Cynthia Austen at their monthly dinner meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, April 11 at Saint Mary's Soda Center, with social hour starting at 5 p.m. For reservation and membership info, visit moragamovers.org.

Sons In Retirement - Las Trampas Branch 116 welcomes guest to socialize at its monthly luncheon beginning at 11 a.m. Monday, April 18 held at the Walnut Creek Elks Lodge, 1475 Creekside Drive. The speaker, Jim Cole, who always had a fascination with the sea, will discuss his passion for sailing, a sport in which he has actively participated for over 40 years. Call (925) 322-1160 to make lunch reservations. Cost: \$15. For more info, visit www.Branch116.org.

Men "of a certain age" (semi- or fully-retired) are invited to hear a presentation from Adam Czekanski, Lt. Col. of the Army Corp of Engineers, during its regular lunch meeting at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 13 at Holy Trinity Church, 1700 School St., Moraga. SIRs welcomes new members. For details, visit www.branch174.sirinc2.org or call Tyler at (925) 284-5561.

Lunch n' Learn: Spring Cleaning Workshop from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 13 at Byron Park, 1700 Tice Valley Blvd., Walnut Creek. It's time to get organized, clear out the clutter, simplify, and plan how to use your space more efficiently. Do your closets, the garage, a spare room, your desk or work space need to be organized? This workshop will give you the tools and resources you need to begin to de-clutter those areas of your house. Free, lunch generously provided. Space is limited; RSVP to Lafayette Senior Services by April 6 by calling (925) 284-5050.

GARDEN

Fill your garden with a plethora of plants, including California natives, shrubs, ground cover, perennials, grasses, ferns, annuals and drought-tolerant plants at The Gardens at Heather Farm's annual Spring Plant Sale from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 9. The sale takes place, rain or shine, in the parking lot at The Gardens at Heather Farm, located at 1540 Marchbanks Dr. in Walnut Creek. Free.

Montelindo Garden Club will meet at 9 a.m. Friday, April 15 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 66 St. Stephens Dr., Orinda. Visitors welcome. Katie, of Katie Creighton Design, a talented full-service designer of residential and public gardens in the Bay Area, will discuss "Having Fun With Garden Design Challenges."

Walnut Creek Garden Club's business meeting and social time is 9:30-10:45 a.m. Monday, April 11 at The Gardens at Heather Farm at 1540 Marchbanks Rd. At 10:45, we will drive to Our Garden on Ygnacio Valley Road to meet Master Gardener Janet Miller. She will be giving us a tour of Our Garden, spreading the word about what Master Gardeners and Our Garden does for the community, sharing "advice to grow by," and answering edible gardening questions. For info, email mittle44@gmail.com.

Lafayette Garden Club is excited to present "What's New?" with speaker Katherine Greenberg, who is the director of New Plant Introductions at Monrovia Growers. She will be discussing interesting and beautiful new varieties developed for our gardens. The meeting will be held from 9:45 a.m. to noon on April 14 at the Lafayette Veteran's Building, 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Visitors welcome. For info, email Carolyn Poetzsch at cpoetzsch@gmail.com.