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Recreational swimmers hoped to take a bite out of the competition at the recent Orinda Moraga Pool Association championships.

Photo Gint Federas

Growing up Swimmingly in Lamorinda

By Cathy Dausman

Imagine a giant block party, only instead of residential lawns, participants lounge in tents pitched poolside. Many parents and swimmers alike plunge wholeheartedly into Lamorinda's recreational swim culture when their children reach preschool and leave only reluctantly

when their teens age out at 18. Lamorindans take their swimming seriously, even at the recreational level: There are two swim conferences and 15 teams, most with decades-old histories of membership, comradery and competition.

Recreational swimming leagues meet only in the summer, but make no mistake about it; the swimmers, their families and friends are fully immersed.

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Help Local Foster Kids Get Ready For School This Year...Donate Supplies at 5A!

Many don't even have the basic supplies... 5A Rent-A-Space in Moraga is collecting donations of new school supplies for our area's Foster Children. For every donation we will give you a gift with our "Thanks"! Our goal is 100 items at each 5A location... **Will You Help?**

A list of needed items is at 5aspace.com. Promotion Ends 8/21/16

District Attorney Investigating Possible Voter Fraud in County

By Sora O'Doherty

The extraordinary number of provisional ballots cast in the June presidential primary election delayed the vote count, leaving such people as the Orinda roads bond supporters anxiously awaiting the final count of Measure L. But the delay was just the tip of the iceberg of problems at Contra Costa County's Elections Division.

"We would have liked to have (the results) sooner, but we are satisfied to be able to get them within the time allowed," said Orinda City Manager Janet Keeter.

While delays in counting so-called provisional ballots was a problem, there were greater issues of possible election fraud in the county.

Throughout the county, 113 voters have been referred to the Contra Costa County district attorney for voting twice in an election. County Clerk-Recorder and Registrar of Voters Joe Canciamilla asked the district attorney to follow up on the duplicate ballots following a request from the California



County Clerk-Recorder and Registrar of Voters Joe Canciamilla. Photo S. O'Doherty

Secretary of State to deal with the issue. "Our office has no investigative authority so it is our responsibility to turn these issues over to the appropriate parties for further review," Canciamilla said.

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Students are Primed, but are Local Roads Ready for School to Start?

By Nick Marnell



Repaving on Ivy Drive in Orinda is just one local roads improvement project. Photo Victor Ryerson

With school starting in just a couple of weeks, some local residents fear a "Commuter-geddon" due to several high-profile Lamorinda road projects.

As the voters passed the tax measures, and funding has been allocated, the infrastructure projects approved and bid out, Lamorinda is experiencing the tough part:

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Local Election Deadlines

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