

MOVIE REVIEW

Film Clips

Many Treats are Scared Up at the Lamorinda Theatres in October

By Derek Zemrak



Well, the baskets of treats are plentiful this month at the Rheem and Orinda theaters. Let's take a look at the amazing lineup:

7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8 – Live theatre returns to the Rheem Theatre with the award-winning play from A. R. Gurney, "Love Letters" starring Tony Dow ("Leave It to Beaver") and Beverly Washburn ("Old Yeller") and is produced by R and R Stage and Screen. Two repeat performances will take place on Oct. 9: a matinee at 2 p.m. and a final performance at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

ORINDA THEATRE EVENTS

7 p.m. Wednesday Oct. 12– A special screening of "Some Like It Hot" starring Tony Curtis, Jack Lemon and Marilyn Monroe, with wine tasting from Marilyn Wines at the theatre and Ciné Cuvée. Tickets are \$10, which includes the wine tasting.

7 p.m. Thursday Oct. 13 – Free Movie Night at the Orinda Theatre with the original 1978 classic "Halloween," directed by John Carpenter and starring Jamie Lee Curtis. On a cold Halloween night in 1963, 6-year-old Michael Myers brutally murdered his 17-year-old sister, Judith. He was sentenced and locked away for 15 years. But on Oct. 30, 1978, while being transferred for a court date, a 21-year-old Myers steals a car and escapes Smith's Grove. He returns to his quiet hometown of Haddonfield, Illinois, where he looks for his next victims.

RHEEM THEATRE EVENTS

7 p.m. Friday Oct. 14 – The Psychotronix film festival will present a Halloween Spooktacular,

screening monster movies, crazy cartoons, trailers and commercials all projected on 16MM film. You'll Quake N' Shiver and Shake N' Quiver! Tickets are \$10.

7 p.m. Friday Oct. 15 – In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Sherilynn Mai Gordon presents "To Dance in My Shoes," an autobiographical one-woman show. This poignant, redeeming love story is set to music accompaniment by Patti Liedecker. Tickets are \$20 and partial proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

Saturday Oct. 22 – Lord Blood-Rah, everyone's favorite Horror Host, will be showcasing a day-long Halloween Festival and Bazaar at the Rheem Theatre with his Halloween picks: "Lord Blood-Rah's Tricks & Treats," Vincent Price's Horror Hall of Fame," "The Brain That Wouldn't Die" and "Spider Baby." The Rheem lobby will be filled with collectibles dealers selling vintage toys, posters and movie memorabilia. Individual movie tickets are \$10 and an all-day pass is only \$25.

7 p.m. Saturday Oct. 29 – Come see the original "Phantom of the Opera" from 1925, starring Lon Chaney on the big screen with a live musical score from Patti Liedecker on the baby grand piano. The film will be introduced by Derek Zemrak. Join the Halloween fun, as there will be games and prizes! Tickets are \$15. Tickets to any of the Rheem and Orinda Theatre events can be purchased at the theaters box offices or online at www.lamorindatheatres.com. See you at all these events if you dare!

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OTHER ... continued

Daughters of the Goddess Womyn's Temple presents Women's Spiral Dance - A Multi-Cultural Celebration of Our Beloved Ancestors and Crones from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. on Oct. 21 at the Orinda Masonic Temple, 9 Altarinda Road, Orinda. During this multicultural ritual, led by Kahuna Leilani, and accompanied by spiritual elders of different traditions, attendees come together to honor and celebrate loved ones who have passed on. Please bring your drums and rattles, as well as pictures of your loved ones that have passed, to be placed on the Ancestor Altar. Tickets: \$23 in advance, \$29 at the door. For more information email Leilani@DaughtersoftheGoddess.com.

Volunteers are needed to prune the Fire Blight—damaged branches from the 102-year-old pear orchard adjacent to Joaquin Moraga School in Moraga. The Fire Blight infection threatens to kill this historic orchard, which is a source of great local pride and the last remaining public orchard of the original Del Monte orchard. Volunteers will be pruning from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Oct. 22 at 1000 Camino Pablo, Moraga. Bring pole pruners, loppers and hand pruners, water, gloves, hat and sunscreen. Wear STURDY shoes. If you have them, tarps and orchard ladders are very helpful. Rain cancels. Reply to barbarampreston@comcast.net

John Muir presents Breast Cancer Awareness Month information and screenings from 5 to 7 p.m. every Thursday in October at John Muir Health Medical Imaging Breast Health Services, Suite 120, 133 La Casa Via, Walnut Creek. RSVP by calling (925) 952-2701.

Orinda Community Foundation is now accepting grant applications until Oct. 31. Send in application form found on website www.orindafoundation.org.

orindafoundation.org. All dollars raised during the year are committed to benefiting the Orinda community through the OCF mission to "enhance the quality of life in Orinda by encouraging philanthropy, building partnerships and providing financial assistance to support community activities, beautification and the arts."

POLITICAL GATHERINGS

If you strive to be an informed voter, join the AAUW at 9:30 a.m. on Oct. 18 at Orinda Community Fellowship Hall, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda, as representatives from the League of Women Voters present the Pros and Cons of the propositions on this year's ballot. They will provide materials with more specific information about each issue so voters can make an informed choice at the polls. Attendees will be able to participate in lively small group discussions and clarify (or change!) their opinion. This meeting is open to the public. www.oml-ca.aauw.net.

SENIORS

Free Peer Counseling — Contra Costa Health Services offers free one-to-one counseling with trained senior counselors who use their life experiences to help other older adults (55+) cope with life changes, problems, crises and challenges. Confidentiality is strictly observed. Appointment required. Please call Lafayette Senior Services to sign up for one of the 60-minute appointments: 284-5050. 10 a.m. to noon, second Tuesday monthly, Alder Room, Lafayette Community Center, 500 St Mary's Rd., Lafayette.

GARDEN

"Home Composting for Busy People" workshop from 10:30 a.m. to noon on Sunday, Oct. 9 at McDonnell Nursery in Orinda. Learn how to compost at home and reduce your garbage significantly in less than 15

minutes per week. Finished compost improves the earth's soil and adds valuable nutrients to keep your plants healthy. Call (925) 254-3713 or email info@mcdonnellnursery.com for directions and to reserve a seat.

Lafayette Garden Club is excited to present "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Monarch Butterflies" from 9:45 a.m. to noon on Oct. 13 in the Lafayette Veteran's Building. The presenter is Susie Vanderlip, naturalist, author, and educator. Monarch butterflies are the icon of all butterflies and are critical pollinators along with bees. Vanderlip will also share how people can raise them in their own backyards. Books available for sale. Visitors are welcome! Please email Carolyn Poetzsch cpoetzsch@gmail.com

The Lafayette Community Garden and Outdoor Learning Center invites you to the fifth annual Fall Harvest Celebration from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 16 at the garden. Garden Tours, games, displays, refreshments, Music, raffle, Native American Dwelling and Artifacts, scarecrow and gall doll making. All ages are welcome and there is no charge. 3932 Mt. Diablo Blvd., across from the reservoir. www.lafayettecommunitygarden.org.

The Montelindo Garden Club will present as its October speaker Andrea Wulf, a British award-winning, New York Times bestselling author and historian focusing on the role of nature and gardens over time. Wulf's talk, based on her book "The Founding Gardeners," will provide a unique perspective on America's creation: how the passion for plants and agriculture of our founding fathers helped shape the nation. The October meeting will begin at 9 a.m., with a speaker at 10:30 a.m., on Oct. 21 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 66 St. Stephens Drive, Orinda. No charge, everyone welcome, reservations required. montelindogarden@aol.com.

Service Clubs Announcements



We meet Friday mornings at 7:00 am at The Lafayette Park Hotel & Spa, Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette. For more info, please email us at lamorindasunrise@gmail.com

October 7
DNA Hacking,
David Gilbert,
Joint Genome Institute

October 14
Brexit, the election
and beyond,
Tom Del Barraro

Our Teardrop thanks you, from the bottom of its heart, For the raffle tickets you bought, at the Wines and Art!

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.

October 6:
Mark Mitchell and Cameron Burks: City Council Member/ Member elect -Getting to Know Them plus Q&A session

October 13:
Don Tatzin: 30 years of Civic leadership in Lafayette

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