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## **Local teens bring Spring Fest** advocacy to Moraga Commons Park

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A food truck was on hand in addition to several cultural food offerings at participating booths.

"When I first began brainstorming for this event," Bennette explained, "I met with district-wide student forums that helped me get an idea of what students wanted a district-wide event to look like."

Scores of advocacyrelated organizations were well represented: Asian Student Union's Bring Change to Mind (end the stigma of mental illness): Advocates for Immigrants and Refugees; Youth Leadership Commission of Walnut Creek (registering voters); STEM in Action; Rainbow Community Center; Miramonte SAGA (Sexuality and Gender Alliance); Amnesty Orinda (International); Latinos Unidos Club (Las Lomas); Moraga iKind; Latinix Club (Miramonte); Save Mount Diablo: PFLAG Lamorinda; Writer's Magazine (Miramonte); Lamorinda Arts Council; Rossmoor Advocates for Diversity; Keeping Our Promise (tutor Afghan refugees); Miramonte Robotics Team 8751 The Wild Bulls; Diversity Consciousness Committee: and Las Lomas Stands for Ukraine (proceeds from all sales went to RAZOM which in Ukrainian means together).

Student entrepreneurs were also in evidence: Handprinted and hand-crafted tote bags, postcards, prints and earrings by Aki Yoshie; Aqua Jewelry (gold and silver-plated – with 10% of proceeds going to teen suicide prevention) by Kirstin Parker; artwork "exploring the way that we could change the view of death in a pro-social way" by Annika Salamon; a henna design booth; bead jewelry kits for kids by A. M. Briggs; and artwork by Ilana Roginsky (a portion of sales went toward Ukraine relief).

"This event is really a tribute to active students, whether they are artists, entrepreneurs, scientists, advocates, or leaders," stated Bennette. "Putting together Spring Fest has been an incredibly heartwarming experience as I saw how much our community has been and continues to advocate for marginalized peoples; create educational and vulnerable spaces; and put in tons of time and energy to support others."

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## Service Clubs Announcements



Every Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Lafayette Veterans Memorial Building OR Zoom Link at https://lamorindasunrise.org/speakers

## June 2022 Weekly Speakers

3: Major Kristin Wolfe, USAF - First Female F-35A Demo Team Commander 10: Jumbo Jim Eakins, Retired American Pro Basketball Player 17: Melissa Allen, RotaCare Concord 24: Mark Cohen, Member Magazine

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We continue our remarkable history of developing the finest student-athletes in the country at a rate that is truly extraordinary for a team of 150 swimmers. These 19 graduates have demonstrated a commitment to academics, athletics, and leadership that is rare and would rival any program in the country. We could not be more proud of their achievements, and more significantly, of who they have become as young adults.

Best of luck to the \*13 seniors who will join collegiate swim teams at UC Berkeley (2), Carleton, Cal Poly (3), Grinnell, Harvey Mudd, Harvard, Pepperdine, Westmont (2), and Vanderbilt and to those taking a gap year or continuing their academic pursuits at UC Berkeley, Cornell, U of Chicago, UC San Diego, and US Naval Academy.

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