Do You Know What to Do if a Major Earthquake or Wildfire **Hits Lamorinda?**

- Do you know your evacuation zone?

- Do you have a family plan?

- Do you have **Go-Bags packed?**

- Do you know how to operate a fire extinguisher or turn off the gas and water valves to your home?

- What is your source for updates?

- Do you know how to render disaster first aid should you or a family member need it and 911 is not available?

To answer these questions and many more, attend the **Community Emergency** Response Team (CERT) class series this Fall in Orinda.

Classes will be held in **Orinda on Thursday** nights from 9/14 -11/9. For more information and to register go to: https://classes.lamorin dacert.org

Now is the time to get prepared.

As Snoopy would say "Ten minutes before the party is not the time to learn to dance"!





Foundations **Stabilizing**



MOFD adopts same fire flow tax, despite objections from one Orinda resident

By Sora O'Doherty

Orinda resident Steve Cohn has been campaigning for some time to have the annual fire flow tax rate of Moraga citizens raised. Cohn had asked the Moraga-Orinda Fire District board to raise the fire flow tax on Moraga residents from six cents to 30 cents. Cohn was unhappy that the board adopted the same six-cent fire flow tax rate for both Orinda and Moraga that has been in effect for since 2013.

At the MOFD Board meeting on June 21, MOFD Vice President Mike Roemer addressed the issue. "It is my position that legally and morally and politically we have an obligation to keep this community united," he said, "and it seems to me that it is a fundamental matter of fairness that if we were considering doubling or tripling or quadrupling the taxes of Moraga citizens we ought to reach out to them and see how they feel about that." Roemer added that he had spoken to many taxpayers in various MOFD districts who told him that they consider the present structure to be fair.

The board voted unanimously to keep the fire flow tax rate at six cents for both Moraga and Orinda residents.

Cohn later wrote to the board members objecting that Roemer had misrepresented the facts concerning the fire flow tax, particularly by stating that the tax was assessed at six cents per \$1,000 of assessed

property value. Cohn says that the tax has nothing to do with assessed value but is based on the "fire flow' required to extinguish a structure fire and is based on the square footage of the structure and whether or not it has a fire suppression (sprinkler) system.'

Given an opportunity to respond to Cohn's email, Roemer said, "The fire flow tax rate is six cents for Orinda and six cents for Moraga and brings in roughly the same revenue from each municipality, and it seems to me that that is fair." Roemer added that the board can't control major portions of the revenue that it receives, which is governed by Proposition 13 and that the fire flow tax represents only about 3% of MOFD's revenue.

One rescued from burning home in Moraga



A structure fire was reported at approximately 11:30 p.m. June 17 on the 1000 block of Sanders Drive in Moraga. According to Moraga-Orinda Fire District Chief Dave Winnacker, "the first fire engine on scene encountered a fire that was well established in the attic space of a single-story home with two occupants reported inside. Crews executed a rescue of an occupant inside of the structure and escorted a second resident who was outside of the structure." There was significant damage to the property, however there were no reported injuries on scene from staff, Winnacker noted. The fire is under investigation. S. O'Doherty

County promotes earthquake safety

Contra Costa County Volunteer Program Coordinated Theresa Dade-Boone is urging residents to take advantage of a Safer at Home Webinar Series offered by the Earthquake Country Alliance.

Those who live in earthquake country know that large earthquakes may happen at any time. Fortunately, there are simple steps we all can take to be "safer at home" before the earth shakes. Access to the webinar and a great deal of other useful information about earthquakes can be found on the Earthquake Country Alliance web page at www.earthquakecountry.org. – Sora O'Doherty

A glimpse of Summer Camp in Moraga

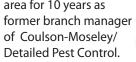
going to know what to do

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Ironically, strength and size were not critical in this instance. Another class that was workout related was "Tumbling," and students were advised to "wear loose shorts."

when you leave home and are on your own? Will you be phoning home to find out why your white clothes came out of the washer blue and your blues came out white? Will you know better than to go into a self-serve gas station

girls and boys aged 9-12 taught kids to learn about nature, develop camping skills, and explore the creeks and woods at the Hacienda de las Flores. While three of the days were morning sessions, the last was an overnight camp-out. Parents were assured that after the camp was set up and everyone fixed their own dinner, the kids would "spend the night totally supervised." Forty-six years later, it's comforting to know that some things never change.





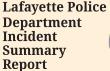
A very practical class was offered for teens that would soon be off to college. The "Surviving on Your Own" description posed some heavyduty questions to teens who think they are ready for life away from home. "Are you

and fill up your gas tank with water? Will you know how to establish credit and balance your check book?" With scare tactics like these, it's a wonder that teens ever left the house.

An "Outdoor Camp" for

Public Safety

Emergency response: Emergency: 24 Hours Police Dispatch: 24 Hours 911 925-284-5010 Nixle: Text your zip code to 888777 or go to www.nixle.com Lafayette Police Department: 3471 Mt. Diablo Blvd. 925-283-3680 Chief of Police, Ben Alldritt 925-299-3221 Police Department Tip Line 94549Tip@gmail.com Police Department Traffic Issues 94549Traffic@gmail.com Moraga Police Department: 329 Rheem Blvd., 925-888-7055 Chief of Police, Jon King ext. 7049 **Orinda Police Department:** 22 Orinda Way 925-254-6820 Chief of Police, Ryan Sullivan 925-254-6820 Orindatip@cityoforinda.org



June 11 - June 24 Alarms

911 Calls (includes hang-ups) 17 39 Traffic Suspicious Circumstances 4 25 Suspicious Subject Suspicious Vehicle Service to Citizen 10 34 Patrol Req./Security Check 9 Public/School Assembly Check Supplemental Report Vacation House Check 1 23 31 19 2 Welfare Check Ordinance Violation Vehicle violations Accident Property Police Department (3) Auto Burglary 1000 Block Pine Ln. 3900 Block Los Arabis Dr. Hit And Run Misdemeanor 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. Pleasant Hill Rd./Reliez Valley Rd.

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Moraga Rd./School St. 1000 Block Carol Ln. Pleasant Hill Rd./Springhill Rd. Reckless Driving Pleasant Hill Rd./Eb Sr 24 Pleasant Hill Rd./Deer Hill Rd. Deer Hill Rd./Stanley Blvd. 2Nd St/Mt. Diablo Blvd. 1St St/Wb Sr 24 - Property Damage Moraga Rd./Rimrock Rd. 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. Тс 1000 Block Brown Ave. 3900 Block El Nido Ranch Rd. 10 Block Eleven Laf 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. Vehicle Theft 900 Block East St. 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. Other criminal activity Grand Theft Veh Parts 3600 Block Happy Valley Rd. Misc Burglary 500 Block Morecroft Rd. Panhandling 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. Petty Theft 900 Block Reliez Station Rd. 900 Block Hough Ave. 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (3) 1400 Block Tichenor Ct. 3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 3400 Block Orchard Hill Ct. 3400 Block Monroe Ave. Shoplift 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (3) 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2) Theft Access Card 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. Nuisance to the Community Disturbance-domestic 900 Block Dolores Dr. 3200 Block Withers Ave. Disturbance-fight 1000 Block Oak Hill Rd. Disturbing The Peace 3Rd St/Moraga Blvd. Loud Music 900 Block Mountain View Dr. (2) Loud Noise 3400 Block Orchard Hill Ct. Loud Party 1300 Block Reliez Valley Rd. 1300 Block Reliez Valley Rd. (2) Brook St/Mountain View Dr. Public Nuisance 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Lafayette Cr/Mt. Diablo Blvd.

3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 900 Block Oak Hill Rd. 1000 Block Dewing Ave. (3) Vandalism 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 3400 Block Silver Springs Ct. Other Brandishing Weapon Pleasant Hill Rd./Mt. Diablo Blvd. 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. Defraud Innkeeper 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. Fireworks 3400 Block School St. H&S Violation 3500 Block Deer Hill Rd. Harassment 1400 Block Tichenor Ct. Illegal Entry 3200 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. K9 Outside Assist Request Nb Sr 242 No Nb I 680, Con Threats 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. Trespass 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 1200 Block Rose Ln. **Unwanted Guest** 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. 3200 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. **Moraga Police** Department

Incident **Summary** Report June 20 - June 26

Alarms 911 Calls (includes hang-ups) Traffic Suspicious Circumstances Suspicious Subject Suspicious Vehicle Service to Citizen Patrol Req./Security Check Public/School Assembly Check Supplemental Report Vacation House Check Welfare Check Ordinance Violation Vehicle violations Accident Property Rheem Theater Moraga Rd./Campolindo Dr. Dui Misd 500 Block Augusta Dr.

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Excessive Speed Canyon Rd./Country Club Dr. Moraga Way St. Andrews Dr. (3) St. Andrews Dr./Country Club Dr. Camino Ricardo Moraga Way Nb Moraga Rd. Twd Lafayette Country Club Dr./School St St Andrews Dr./Country Club Dr. Reckless Driving Moraga Country Club Vehicle Theft Moraga Way/Camino Encinas, Ori Other criminal activity Computer Fraud 100 Block Quintas Ln. Petty Theft Moraga Country Club Residential Burglary 300 Block Calle La Montana Warrant Arrest 200 Block Corliss Dr. Nuisance to the Community Disturbing The Peace Ascot Dr./Ascot Pl. Public Nuisance Campolindo Dr./Corte Monterey Other Harassment 70 Block Miramonte Dr. Trespass 500 Block Center St.



Orinda Police Department Incident Summary Report

May 28 - June 10 Alarms 911 Calls (includes hang-ups) 28 12 107 Traffic Suspicious Circumstances 6 Suspicious Subject Suspicious Vehicle Service to Citizen Patrol Req./Security Check Public/School Assembly Check Supplemental Report 5 60 26 1 14 Supplemental Report Vacation House Check 0 Welfare Check **Ordinance** Violation 5

Vehicle violations

Camino Sobrante/Camino Pablo 200 Block Camino Sobrante 10 Block Altarinda Rd. Auto Burglary 40 Block La Vuelta Hit And Run Misdemeanor Alice Ln./Zander Dr. Reckless Driving Camino Pablo/Bear Creek Rd. (2) Camino Pablo/Santa Maria Way Glorietta Blvd./Moraga Via Other criminal activity Burglary 100 Block Silver Oak Terrace Forgery 20 Block Orinda Waynda Ca Grand Theft 100 Block Sleepy Hollow Ln 30 Block Las Vegas Rd. Identity Theft 10 Block Camino Lenada Petty Theft Camino Sobrante Wilder Sports Fields Ori 100 Block Las Vegas Rd. Residential Burglary 10 Block Via Hermosa Shoplift ĥoraga Way Warrant Arrest Moraga Way/Orchard Rd. Nuisance to the Community Disturbing The Peace Camino Pabo Loud Noise 10 Block Hall Dr. 100 Block Hall Dr. 20 Block Coachwood Terrace Loud Party Owl Hill Rd./Oakwood Rd. 20 Block Owl Hill Rd. 20 Block Moraga Via Public Nuisance 10 Block Theatre Sq (2) Theatre Square (2) 500 Block Orindawoods Dr. Other Failure To Obey Moraga Way/Camino Encinas Return After Eviction 300 Block La Espiral Trespass Camino Sobrante (4) Theatre Square Trespass W/ Vehicle 10 Block Quarry Hill Rd.