

Readers' Roundtable

The San Leandro Library Readers' Roundtable book club will meet at the Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave., on Saturday, Jan. 5, at 2 p.m. to discuss *Swamplandia!* by Karen Russell. Russell's archetypal swamp saga tells a mystical yet rooted tale of innocents who come of age through trials of water, fire, and air.

Buon Tempo Club Spaghetti Dinner

The Buon Tempo Italian American Club is having an all-you-can-eat spaghetti and meatball dinner to benefit the American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" on Sunday, Jan. 6, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Castro Valley Moose Hall, 20835 Rutledge Road in Castro Valley. \$15 per person (\$10 child) includes salad, entree, and bread. Everyone is welcome. Tickets at the door. For more information, call 483-3779.

Dusty Paws Adoption

Dusty Paws Rescue will be showing adoptable animals at Unleashed by Petco, 699 Lewelling Blvd., San Leandro (near Safeway) on Sunday, Jan. 6, from 1 to 4 p.m. Stop by to meet animals looking for a forever home. Volunteers will be on hand to answer questions. Dusty Paws Rescue will be at Unleashed by Petco the first Sunday of every month.

Diabetes Support Group

The Diabetes Support Group will meet on Monday, Jan. 7, at 5 p.m. at the San Leandro Surgery Center, 15035 East 14th St. Brenda Yamashita from the Alameda County Diabetes Program will discuss updated diabetes care guidelines. Open to the public and admission is free.

Boys & Girls Club Crab Feed

The San Leandro Boys & Girls Club, 401 Marina Blvd., is having its annual Crab Feed on Saturday, Jan. 12. Social hour begins at 6 p.m and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person, which includes all-you-can-eat crab, pasta, salad and French bread. Live music by "BackBeat" performing the music of The Beatles. The event is assigned seating only. To purchase tickets or for more information, call Bob Glotch at the Boys & Girls Club between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 483-5581. Proceeds support the San Leandro Boys & Girls Club, which provides educational and enrichment after-school programs for 1,200 children per day at twelve sites.

Join the Marines...for Coffee

Don't be just a former Marine, join other Marines, past and present, once a month on the second Saturday (except in November) at 0900 hours at the Veterans Memorial Building, 1105 Bancroft Avenue, San Leandro, following the tradition of "Once a Marine, Always a Marine," for coffee, doughnuts and friendship. All are welcome. For more information, call Bobby Ferreira at 460-0636.

Hearing Loss Association

The Hearing Loss Association will meet on Saturday, Jan. 12, in the Kaiser Hospital Tower, Room 1200-C, 280 W. MacArthur Blvd. in Oakland. Refreshments at 9:30 a.m., and the program runs from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Dr. Gil Magilen will discuss the challenges of severe hearing loss and a unique sound-engineering approach that results in improved hearing and speech understanding.

IDES Alvarado Street Crab Feed

The IDES of Alvarado Street (790 Antonio St. at the corner of Alvarado) is having its annual crab feed on Saturday, Jan. 12, Social hour begins at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$40, which includes all-you-can-eat crab, salad, pasta and garlic bread. For tickets, call 385-2847 or 635-3580.

Kiwanis Annual Crustacean Festation

The Kiwanis Club of San Leandro is having its annual Crustacean Festation crab feed on Saturday, Jan. 19, at the San Leandro Boys & Girls Club, 401 Marina Blvd. in San Leandro. The social hour begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. with crab, salad, pasta and garlic bread. Dance from 8 to 10 p.m. to the music of Chico & the Band. Tickets are \$40, or \$20 for children under 10. Tickets available from San Leandro Kiwanis Club members or by calling Terri Neumann at 895-4425. Reserve early for group seating.

Discover Homeschool Spelling Bee

The Discovery Homeschool Spelling Bee will be held on Saturday, Jan. 19, at 1 p.m. in Conference Room C at the San Leandro Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave. The winner will advance to the preliminary round of the San Francisco Chronicle Spelling Bee. Spellers must be home schooled students, 14 years old or younger, and in the eighth grade or lower. There will be a \$10 registration fee per speller. To compete in the spelling bee, contact Tanya Daly by email at discoverybee@dalyclan.net or call 593-9336.

Sons of Norway Crab Feed

The Sons of Norway Snorre Lodge 6-061 is having its Annual Crab Feed on Saturday, Jan. 26, at the Hill & Valley Clubhouse, 1808 B St. in Hayward. Salad, spaghetti, garlic bread and crab, no-host bar, raffle prizes, music and dancing to the Sandbar Band. Social hour at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., dancing at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$40, or \$15 for children. Send a check by Jan. 11 payable to "Sons of Norway" to Jeannie Thompson, 115 Buck Court, Fremont CA 94539.

Documentary Film on Gender Roles

The documentary film about the effect of homophobia on gender roles in high school will be shown on Friday, Feb. 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the San Leandro High Arts Education Center, 2200 Bancroft Ave. "Straight-laced – How Gender's Got Us All Tied Up" by Academy Award-winning director Debra Chasnoff is a riveting and often funny film about gender roles and issues that affect us all. There will be a discussion after the movie and refreshments will be available. Everyone is welcome. Best for age 14 and older. For more information, email Kate Livson at katelivson@yahoo.com.

St. Leander Church Valentine Crab Feed

St. Leander Church is having its annual crab feed on Saturday, Feb. 9, at Ryan O'Connell Hall, 575 W. Estudillo Ave., San Leandro. Social hour begins at 5:30 p.m., and dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person which includes crab, pasta, salad and bread. The event is "assigned seating only" and no outside beverages. Dessert silent auction and sports memorabilia silent auction. To purchase tickets or for more information, call the St. Leander Parish Office at 895-5631. Last day to purchase tickets is Feb. 4.

Watercolors at John O'Lague Galleria

The John O'Lague Galleria at Hayward City Hall, 777 B Street Hayward, presents "Ten Women's Perspectives, Watercolor Connections" on Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Feb. 1.