# RIANDA HOUSE

increasing life expectations





# I'm Selfish

### That's why I care

As the decades roll by, I have come to the unwelcome conclusion that I am selfish. I wish it were not so. I like to think of myself as an angel of goodness, sent from the heavens to give and give and give, with never a thought for myself. But when I examine my motives, I inevitably find self-interest at the center, running the show. I can't help but look out for #1.

This is Ayn Rand's conclusion too. She has no patience with those who pretend to be fountains of goodness. She harpoons self-congratulatory dogooders and exposes their underlying selfishness. We're all looking out for #1. Stop the charade. Let the feeding frenzy begin.

But Rand is missing something. Compassion and kindness are more gratifying than conquest. When I behave with empathy toward others I experience a connection that widens my world and lifts my spirit. In fact, treating others with compassion is the most pleasurable human experience I can have. So it is possible to be both selfish and kind. In fact selfishness is the best reason to be kind.



Sure, I can behave like a locust but it's a bad deal. I'll end up like Montgomery Burns on the Simpsons. No one envies Montgomery, sitting in his mansion like a dragon in its lair, counting his money. Ever notice how much he looks like a mosquito?



Far better to indulge in what really satisfies: caring. At Rianda House, you'll find a bunch of people who genuinely care about each other and go out of their way to help. Not because they are good. Because caring is.

Come indulge with us!





### Welcome to Rianda House!

On the House is the monthly newsletter of Rianda House. We welcome ideas and submissions. Email robin@riandahouse.org.

Rianda House is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 - 5:00. We offer a full slate of activities and services. We hope to meet you soon!

### Our Mission

We increase life expectations by providing programs and activities that help older adults remain **strong** in mind, body, and spirit, **connected** in meaningful relationships, and **giving** from the abundance of their lives.

In this way, we make elderhood life's best chapter.

#### RIANDA HOUSE TEAM

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# **Getting to Know You**

### Kaylee Hardin

Yoga and Sound Bowl Meditation Instructor

Each month, Rianda House is pleased to highlight a new person from our growing community.

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different levels of ability. I don't

discouraged. We learn how to

### How long have you practiced yoga?

I started taking yoga in college in Washington. But I started practicing consistently about five years ago and I've been teaching for three. I moved to California about 10 years ago; my Mom and sister had already moved down. My Dad's from Pope Valley.



### How did you get into teaching yoga?

I'd always worked in restaurants, but let me tell you: restaurant jobs are stressful. With the culture of restaurant life, the stress and the hours, I found myself talking to customers about astrology, which was my gateway to wellness. I just thought if I could do yoga and astrology all day, I'd be so much happier. I began my training, got certified and my life is so much more peaceful now. I've been finding a lot of open doors, which tells me I'm on the right path.

### What brought you to the Rianda House?

A yoga friend told me about an opening for a yoga teacher at Rianda House so I reached out to Amanda. And now I have mat and chair yoga classes here, at PUC and at Rancho de Calistoga. For chair yoga, I had some training, but I also learn as I go, adapting to the energy in the room.

### What are the benefits of yoga?

My dad deals with a lot of chronic discomfort and pain and I know that when you get older and haven't been active, you can be uncomfortable. And when you're uncomfortable, you don't want to do things, don't socialize and you can just go downhill. Yoga is great to physically stretch out the body and do some strength training. Physically yoga makes you feel more grounded and is great for the nervous system.

### Tell us about Sound Bowl meditation.

It's just such an amazing experience. Sound bowls are another way to relax. It's all about the vibrations; some of the bowls are tuned to the various chakras in the body. It can help to relieve tension and can be stress relief.

### What do you do when you're not teaching wellness classes?

I like to be crafty; I love to crochet. I can do it for hours.

### If you were an animal, which would it be?

I've always been drawn to owls; I like to think of owls as spirit animals. I like bats too, but think I'd rather be an owl.

### What are your favorite foods?

I'm a sucker for a good ice cream. I love to make ice cream too. And when I was growing up, my Dad made a great pesto. His pesto is definitely high on my list.

### Where do you see yourself 10 years from now?

It would be great to have my own studio. I do astrology readings and I'm Reiki certified. I'd love to get into more somatic work. Doing more one-onone work would be really great. And having all my things in one place.

Interview by Susan McWilliams

# You've Done It Again!

Every year, we marvel at Upvalley support for older adults. <u>In 2024, 416 people and businesses supported Rianda House</u>. Way to go, Upvalley!

### Trailblazers (More than \$50,000)

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### **Artist's Way Workshop**

Dr. Max Van Praag Tuesdays, February 4, 11 & 18, 11:00-1:00 Rianda House

The Artist's Way is a 12-week individual program of readings and exercises to facilitate the creative recovery of blocked artists or the development of creativity in anyone. The medium of choice is irrelevant, be it acting, music, dance, painting, writing, filmmaking, sculpting. This program is designed to re-ignite creativity for those who feel that their well has run dry.

In our dream for a creative life we often feel isolated. May this workshop be a safe space of inspiration and exchange to be reminded that we are not alone.

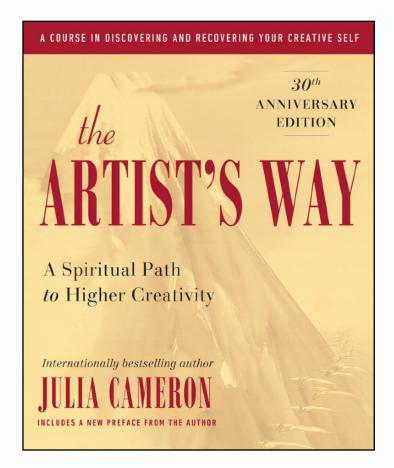
This 3-week series is to help you kickstart your creative journey or recovery as we focus on the first 3 chapters of the book. During sessions we will engage in various exercises and

practices, we will discuss basic tools (morning pages and artist dates), we will check in with everyone about the past week, and there will be coaching for those who feel stuck. Anyone is welcome to share their accomplishments, art works and progress with the group. You will feel empowered to continue on your own, and more support for this process will be offered later this year.

Please purchase a copy of the book and read until the end of the first chapter before the class starts: The Artists Way by Julia Cameron.

Max Van Praag is a performing artist and guide based in Calistoga, who has facilitated the Artist's Way process since 2002.

More information at maxvanpraag.com



### Special Events

To register for special events call (707) 963-8555 x 101

## Advancing Care Through Innovation

Dr. Nitin Reddy and Krista Clark Friday, February 14, 10:00-11:00 Rianda House

Discover how Neurovations is transforming lives with the latest breakthroughs in health care! Join Dr. Nitin Reddy and Krista Clark for an engaging discussion about ongoing studies on Alzheimer's, Osteoarthritis, and Lupus. Learn about cutting-edge treatments like TMS for depression, advanced pain relief therapies, and Alzheimer's infusions. Find out

how these innovations are making a real difference in patients' lives. **RSVP** 



### Vineyard Walk

Brad Skibbins & Carmen Benavides
Friday, February 21, 9:30-10:30,
Rianda House

Come meet new people, build friendships and improve your physical health by walking through beautiful St. Helena Vineyards. This walk will begin at Rianda House and will be a flat, 1.5 mile walk taking approximately 45 minutes. Carmen Benavidez from the Alzheimer's Association will join you to talk about how the brain and

body are connected and how lifestyle choices may help you keep your brain and body healthy as you age.



# Travelogue: The Galapagos: Land of Evolution

Tessa Lorraine

Friday, February 21, 4:00-5:00, Rianda House

Finches! Iguanas! And, tortoises! Oh my! The Galapagos Islands in Ecuador are a linchpin to our understanding of evolution. Come hear Tessa Lorraine share an adventure bar none from an

UNESCO World
Heritage Site.
From San
Cristobal island
to a hummingbird
garden just
outside of Quito,
you'll see wildlife
beyond
imagination.
RSVP



### St. Helena Forum: Rosa Parks Beyond the Bus

Doug Barr & Robin McGuire

Friday, February 28, 11:00-12:00 Rianda House

Rosa Parks Beyond the Bus: a personal and inspiring glimpse into Rosa Parks' life, as seen through the eyes of author and dear friend H.H. Leonards, who hosted

Mrs. Parks in her Washington, DC home for a decade. While widely known for her pivotal role in the Montgomery Bus Boycott, this SHForum interview reveals Parks' depth as a leader and advocate for civil, human, and women's rights. **RSVP** 



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### **BASEBALL ANYONE?**

Did you know that St. Helena has a first-rate 65+ baseball team?

You can cheer for them this spring at the High School or better yet, you can **join them on the field**. This is a competitive, traveling league for people 65 and older. Why not get out the old glove and see if you still got it?

To schedule a tryout, or for more information, contact Nick Marnell. nick.marnell9@gmail.com. 925 899-6479



### **STOP FALLS!**

Dr Hayden - St. Helena Adventist Health
Tuesday, March 4, 12:00-1:00pm
Rianda House

### SAVE THE DATE!

Dr. Hayden Block, DPT, a seasoned physical therapist and clinic manager at PT Solutions in St. Helena will present, STOP FALLS: Preventing Falls for Seniors. With extensive expertise in musculoskeletal care, post-operative rehabilitation, and mobility

improvement, Dr. Block will share practical strategies to enhance strength, independence, and safety for seniors, drawing on years of experience in outpatient care and home health. RSVP



### **Need Help?**

Call Rianda House at (707) 963-8555 x 101. We will either help you ourselves or direct you to one of our many partners who serve UpValley older adults.

To speak with a personal resource expert and/or make an in-person appointment at Rianda House,

call Karen Lustig at (707) 989-0120. (Courtesy of Providence Community Health)

### For a Victim Services Advocate Counselor

Call Irma Luna at (707) 299-1411 by appointment at Rianda House. (Courtesy of Providence Community Health) on Friday, February 21, 12-1:00

If you or someone you know is a victim of a crime, scam, abuse, eviction, or in a crisis situation, call Irma for immediate assistance or to book a counseling session (707) 299-1411.



Karen Lustig



Irma Luna

### Classes & Activities

All Classes are no-cost and there is no need to register unless specified in the description.

For more detailed descriptions go to riandahouse.org

**Amistad y Apoyo** 

Alma Perez & Lorraine Ruston

Tuesdays, 10:30-12:30, Rianda House (No Class on Feb. 11) Friendship and support in English and Spanish. Unase con nosotros los martes para el rencuentro del grupo de Amistad tan querido. RSVP (707) 299-1885.

**Balance and Stretch** Jennifer Duncan & Kerry Bracket Mondays, 10:00-10:45, Rianda House, or Zoom (hybrid) Thursdays, 11:15-11:45, American Legion Hall

As we age, we may find our balance isn't as steady, but with regular exercises and stretching for flexibility, we can improve.

Breathe it Away with Ray NEW!

Ray Chandra Eriday Fol

Monday, Feb. 10 & 24, 1:00-2:00pm, American Legion Hall Conscious breathing techniques improve physical, mental and emotional well-being by reducing stress, anxiety, and tension.

**Bridge for Beginners** 

Tammy McDonald

Fridays, 10:00-12:00, Rianda House

Discover bridge: from bidding to gameplay, defense tactics, strategy formulation and enhancing partnership coordination.

**Canasta** Lucy Thater

Fridays, 1:00-4:00, Rianda House

Great for both mind and spirit. The game takes 2-4 hours, and multiple rounds. Lucy will teach you!



### **Chair Aerobics**

Kerry Brackett

Thursdays, 10:40-11:10, American Legion Hall Enjoy a fun, energetic 30minute class while seated in a chair, all set to upbeat music! No experience needed.

**Chair Yoga** 

Kaylee Hardin

Wednesdays, 10:00-10:45, Rianda House

Chair Yoga is gentle - good for injuries or mobility restrictions; low impact-designed to help lengthen and strengthen the body.

### **Dementia Family Caregiver's Support Group**

Thur., Feb. 6, Rianda House, Thur., Feb. 20, 3-4:30, Zoom This support group provides a comforting setting for care partners. Contact Melissa Gerard, Providence Adult Day Health, 707-815-6258; melissa.gerard@providence.org.

### **Duplicate Bridge**

Tammy McDonald

Mondays, 12:30-4:00, Rianda House

Bridge is a fun, social and competitive card game. Bring a partner or we will help you find one.

**ESL (English Second Language)** Lorraine Ruston

Tuesdays, 9:00-10:00, Rianda House

Basic English vocabulary and conversational practice.

### **ESL (Ingles Segundo Idioma)**

Lorraine Ruston

Los martes, 9:00-10:00, Rianda House

El énfasis de la clase será vocabulario básico de inglés y la práctica de conversaciones.

#### **French Club**

Sue & Skip Hopgood

Mondays, 9:30-11:00, Rianda House

Share personal experiences and cultural history through conversational French. Some knowledge of French is necessary, skills vary.



Genealogy

Kelly Wheator

Friday, Feb. 7 & 21, 10-12:00, Rianda House

Explore topics from DNA to genealogical research to family history writing. Drop-ins welcome.

### **Gents & A Cuppa Joe**

Carroll Cotten

Thursdays, 8:30-9:30, Rianda House

Share a Cuppa Joe, discuss local issues, and swap stories with friends and neighbors. Always fun and informative!

#### **Heart of the Matter**

Lorne Glaim

Monday, Feb. 3 & 17, 1:00, Rianda House

Share ideas on local and world events in a respectful setting.

### **Imagery and Poetry**

Dr. Lisa Hinz

Friday, Feb. 7 & 21, 1:00, Zoom

Create a visual collage as the foundation for writing poetry.

### Ladies & A Cuppa Tea

Ellen Cotten

Tuesdays, 9:30-10:30, Rianda House

Join us for friendship and a cup of tea. A warm, inviting atmosphere encourages fun and engaging discussions.

**Line Dancing** (no class 2/10)

Becky Jo Peterson

Mondays, 11:30-12:30, American Legion Hall

Kick up your heels to lively music and learn five new dances each session. Beginners and drop-ins welcome.

### **Mah Jongg**

Michele Barberi Hyde

Fridays, 1:00-4:00, Rianda House

Traditional Chinese tile-based game requiring skill, strategy and a bit of luck. All levels welcome - cards available.

#### **MasterMinds**

Verona Lado

Wednesdays, Jan. 8-Feb 12., 10:00-11:30, Rianda House This new Brain Health & Wellness Program is designed to help understand memory and learn to improve it. RSVP 15 Max.

#### **Men's Fitness**

Evan Massaro

Tuesdays, 8:00-9:00, American Legion Hall Improve balance, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness with a splash of dad jokes! All levels are welcome. Please bring a mat.



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**Music with Ric** 

Ric Morgan

Wednesdays, 1:00-2:00, Rianda House

This sing along program will rekindle nostalgia of songs from the 1930s to the 1960s. All are welcomed.

**Needlers' Club** 

Julie Bolander

Thursdays, 1:00-3:00, Rianda House

Relax and work at your own pace as you socialize with other craftspeople. All levels are welcome.

2nd Tuesday Page Turner Book Club Lorraine Rustin

Tuesday, Feb. 11, 7:00-9:00pm, Rianda House

Each month a member chooses a book, leads discussion and provides refreshments. Call to be on the WAIT LIST

#### **Sound Bowl Meditation**

Kaylee Hardin

Wednesdays, 9:00-9:45, Rianda House

Calming breathing exercises, a short guided meditation, and the soothing sounds of crystal singing bowls.

### **Introduction to Spanish**

Lorraine Ruston

Tuesdays, 1:00-2:30, Dec 3-March 4, Rianda House This course provides learners with the ability to speak and understand beginning Spanish. Vocabulary and grammar from Sections 1 and 2 of Duolingo.

### **Intermediate Spanish**

Lorraine Ruston

Thursdays, 1:00-2:30, Jan 9 - March 27, Rianda House This course is for learners who have studied Spanish in the past. Conversational practice will be based on grammar and vocabulary that is introduced in Duolingo's Sections 3 and 4.

### **Advanced Spanish**

Lorraine Ruston

Wednesdays, 2:30-4:00, Jan 8 - March 26, Rianda House A twelve-week course for students to practice Spanish conversation at an advanced level. Vocabulary and grammar will come from Sections 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Duolingo.

### **Strength Training**

Kathy Carrick

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:30-8:30am, Presbyterian Church Enhance muscle strength and tone. An excellent workout! All levels welcome. 1428 Spring Street.

Tai Chi Joseph Nase

Tuesdays, Feb. 11 & 25, 9:00-10:00, American Legion Hall This practice involves gentle movements and physical postures, a meditative state of mind and controlled breathing.

### Tai Chi & Qi Gong

Joseph Nase

Thursdays, 9:00-10:00, Rianda House

Optimize energy within the body, mind and spirit to improve overall health with focused breathwork, meditation and slow, gentle movement.

### **Tech Today RSVP**

James Scanlan

Wednesday, Feb. 12 & 26, 2:30-4:00, Rianda House Hard time keeping up with tech, let a pro help you. Bring your handheld device. Reserve a 30 minute one-on-one session.

### **Yoga: Stretch and Flow**

Kavlee Hardin

Tuesdays, 11:15-12:15, American Legion Hall Combining deep stretches and gentle movements. Suitable

for all levels. Bring a mat. Chair modifications available.

#### **Zumba Gold**

Becky Jo Peterson

Mondays & Thursdays, 9:30-10:30, American Legion Hall Move to music and have fun! Get your heart pumping while you improve balance, stamina and tone important muscles.



### Calistoga

Calistoga Loop Walk Julie Spencer, Bobbie Casey Friday, Feb.7, 9:30-10:30, Calistoga Community Center The walk is approximately 3 miles through residential streets. It is a 1-1.5 hour walk at a moderate to brisk pace. **RSVP** 

**Lunch & Learn** Rianda House, UVFC, Calistoga Parks & Rec. Wednesday, Feb. 19, 11-1:00, Calistoga Community Center, 1307 Washington St.

Focused on enhancing community connections and providing informational resources through guest speakers and a variety of topics. Free lunch is provided. RSVP

Tai Chi

Diane Latorre

Saturday, Feb. 8 & 22, 9-9:45, Pioneer Park, 1308 Cedar A gently-moving meditation suitable for various fitness levels. Outdoor only.

### Angwin

#### **Lunch and Learn**

Rianda House, Providence

Wed, Feb. 5, 11:00-1:00, Pacific Union College Fireside Room, 10 Angwin Avenue

Fast Fall the Night: Exploring Depression and Suicidality delves into the complexities of depression and its impact on human life. The discussion covers types of depression, including major depressive disorder and bipolar depression, along with effective treatments. We'll also examine suicide risks, prevention strategies, and the role of faith in offering meaning and hope amidst challenges. RSVP and bring a friend!

#### Stretch and Flow

Kaylee Hardin

Thursdays, 11:00-12:00, Fireside Room, PUC

Combining deep stretches and gentle movements to create more mobility and fluidity. Suitable for all levels. Bring a mat. Chair modifications available. RSVP

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