

Lamorinda Community, Calendar, Agendas, Notes, News

Lafayette

Calendar	
City Council	7pm Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road Monday, Sept 10
Planning Comm.	7pm Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road Thursday, Sept 6
Design Review	7pm Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road Tuesday, Sept 11
Park, Trails, Rec.	7pm Community Center 500 St Mary's Road Wednesday, Sept 12
Circulation	7pm Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road Monday, Sept 17
Emergency Prep.	9:15am City Offices 3675 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Suite 265 Wednesday, Sept 12
Senior Services	3:30pm Community Center, Alder Room 500 St Mary's Road Thursday, Sept 27

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Town of Lafayette:
<http://www.ci.lafayette.ca.us>
for:

- all meeting notes
- calendar updates

Chamber of Commerce:
<http://www.lafayettechamber.org>
for:

- local businesses
- upcoming events



Cap Caper, 8/24/07 The gas cap to a white Volvo parked on Dolores Drive near Mount Diablo Boulevard was stolen at approximately 5:00p.m. Estimated value about \$100.

Residential Burglary, 8/23/07 A Hawthorn Drive resident returned to his home to find his laptop, two iPods and an unknown amount of jewelry taken by unknown suspects. Because there was no sign of forced entry, it's a mystery as to how the burglars got in.

Auto Burglary, 8/23/07 The left rear passenger window of a black BMW was smashed while parked in front of owner's residence on Huntleigh Drive. Sadly, the husband had left his black canvas computer bag in plain sight.

Embezzlement, 8/20/07 On this date Lafayette Police received an embezzlement report from the Washington Mutual Fraud Investigation person. The bank suspected the employee in question stole \$13,000 from the bank. Fraud investigator interviewed suspect and he confessed. Police officer interviewed suspect and was told he took the money while working to pay off his bills.

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Let's Eat Cake!

By Sophie Braccini

On September 6th 2007, the Marquis de La Fayette would turn 250 years old. At age nineteen, the bold teenager who embarked for the Americas against his family's will could not have imagined that so many years later he would still be celebrated in the country he was setting out to help free. In the United States there are more than two dozen cities and towns named after La Fayette, as well as a river in Virginia and a mountain in New Hampshire. Many of these locations are planning festivities honoring the life and legacy of the French citizen and hero of the American Revolution. Residents of Lafayette have not forgotten why our city bears his name. When Paul Fillinger, President of the Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary, met with former Consul Général of France Frédéric Desagneaux last year, the two men discussed a memorable and meaningful way to celebrate the Marquis' birthday.

Catherine Jolivet, founder of

French for Fun, a French school and cultural center located in Lafayette, also wanted to celebrate.

A member of the Chamber of Commerce, she contacted Chamber Executive Director Jay Lifson, who suggested including a birthday celebration with the first "Jazz on the Plaza" concert on September 7th. That evening the Fred Randolph Combo will play and all are invited to bring a picnic, but don't bring dessert. At the concert break a very large cake donated by the Walnut Creek French restaurant "Le Bistro," and cakes donated by the families of French for Fun, will be shared with all in honor of the young hero of the War for Independence. The Lafayette Chamber is providing utensils and Bank of the West the balloons. Jolivet convinced local merchants such as Trader Joe's and Diablo Foods to flag their French products, so those who want to plan a French picnic can do it painlessly.

On the actual birthday, Sept. 6th, the City of Lafayette and the

French Consulate in San Francisco will hold an official private ceremony. It will be hosted by the Lafayette Park Hotel and supported by the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce.

Generations in Jazz, the Lafayette Historical Society, Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary and Lafayette Rotary are sponsoring the event. Volunteers serving the City of Lafayette have been invited in thanks for their service to the community. The new Consul Général, Pierre-Francois Mourier, and Pierre Mattot, the consulate's Press Attaché, will represent the French. Among the large American contingent will be Lafayette Mayor Carol Federighi, Lifson and Fillinger. During the ceremony, watercolor panels created by local artist John Finger will be unveiled. These panels, sponsored by Lafayette's two Rotary Clubs, represent the life of the Marquis de La Fayette and are to serve as the base for a mural.

Mattot expresses his enthusiasm by saying that "this commemoration is the celebration of

French-American friendship. That relationship was forged on the battlefields of the Revolutionary War and beyond. We are proud to come to Lafayette to celebrate with our American friends."



Lafayette Art and Wine Festival

If you haven't already marked your calendar, the annual Lafayette Art and Wine Festival will be held on Satur-

day, September 15th and Sunday, September 16th. Schedules have been set for the Chef's Stage cooking demonstrations,

featuring some of the East Bay's best chefs, and musical entertainment by our most popular local bands.

2007 VIKING CHEF'S STAGE

Saturday September 15, 2007	
12:00	Rachelle Boucher of Generation Chefs
1:00	Marcelo Abusada of The Patio
2:00	Gordon Drysdale of Pizza Antica
3:00	Jean-Paul Peluffo of Le Bistro
4:00	Chuck Courtney of Lafayette Park Hotel
5:00	Suzy Quenneville of Viking Home Chef
Sunday September 16, 2007	
12:00	Daniel Clatyon of Nibbler's Eatery
1:00	Andy Tsang of Uncle Yu's
2:00	Michael Zeiter of Postino
3:00	Sun Chuen Yan of Yan's Restaurant
4:00	Kevin Weinberg of Walnut Creek Yacht Club

2007 MUSIC SCHEDULE:

Saturday, September 15, 2007:	Sunday, September 16, 2007:		
ART STAGE-50 Lafayette Circle	ART STAGE-50 Lafayette Circle		
11:00-12:30	Ellie Athayde	10:00-11:00	Safeway Fresh Concert
1:00 - 2:30	Nitelites	11:30-1:00	Big Sirs
3:00 - 4:30	Bob Athayde	1:30-3:30	Pure Honey
5:00 - 6:30	Annie Sampson	4:00-6:00	Delta Wires
WINE STAGE-3583 Mt. Diablo Blvd.	WINE STAGE-3583 Mt. Diablo Blvd.		
11:00-12:30	Red House	11:00-12:30	Sound Advice
1:00 - 2:30	Red House	1:00-3:00	Aja Vu
3:00 - 4:30	Workingman's Ed	3:30-5:30	The Sun Kings
5:00 - 6:30	Evolution		

FESTIVAL BEER & WINE PACKAGES:

SPECIAL PACKAGES	
4 Tickets	\$20
1 Glass + 4 Tickets	\$25
2 Glasses + 4 Tickets	\$30
2 Glasses + 6 Tickets	\$40
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Sunday, September 16th, 10AM-6PM

Art & Wine Festival

12th Annual

Live Music on 2 Stages
Food, Wine & Microbrews
200 Arts & Crafts Booths
Kids Zone

Free Parking at the BART Station and FREE Shuttle

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For further information, please visit our Website: <http://www.lafayettechamber.org>