

# Lamorinda Community

## Calendar, Notes, News

# Lafayette

Calendar	
City Council	7pm
Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road	
Monday, March 10	
Planning Comm.	7pm
Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road	
Thursday, March 6	
Design Review	7pm
Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road	
Tuesday, March 11	
Park, Trails, Rec.	7pm
Community Center 500 St Mary's Road	
Wednesday, March 12	
Circulation	7pm
Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road	
Monday, March 17	
Emergency Prep.	9:15am
City Offices 3675 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Suite 265	
Wednesday, March 12	
Senior Services	3:30pm
Community Center, Alder Room 500 St Mary's Road	
Thursday, March 27	
check online:	
Town of Lafayette:	
<a href="http://www.ci.lafayette.ca.us">http://www.ci.lafayette.ca.us</a>	
• all meeting notes	
• calendar updates	
Chamber of Commerce:	
<a href="http://www.lafayettechamber.org">http://www.lafayettechamber.org</a>	
• local businesses	
• upcoming events	



**NEW LAFAYETTE LISTING!**

757 Tofflemire Drive  
Updated Contemporary  
In Magical Setting  
3BD/2BA 1600+/- sf Eichler  
Views/Oaks/Lvl Yard on .58 Acres



### Let There Be Cheaper Light

By Cathy Tyson



Workers installing more energy efficient lights Photo courtesy of Jennifer Russell

Lafayette recently received a lighting audit of the aging Lafayette Community Center. Kate Merrill, Technology Services Lead of Energy Solutions explained that this was just phase one of a two-phase project. Phase one dealt exclusively with lighting, phase two, which is still under investigation, addresses heating and cooling systems as well as the building envelope. ABAG, the Association of Bay Area Governments, is working in partnership with P G & E in this free program for municipalities to improve efficiency. Energy Solutions provides comprehensive strategic design, technical and marketing expertise for this and other types of energy programs.

According to City Manager Steven Falk, "Analysts from P G & E checked out every single room and, as you might imagine given the age of the building, found lots of opportunities to save money. In fact the audit recommended that 290 light fixtures be replaced with new energy efficient ballasts and lamps." Merrill explained, in a linear florescent lamp the ballast delivers energy to the bulb, it's half the equation of energy efficiency. "What's particularly good news is that through a joint ABAG/ P G & E conservation program, the utility will pick up more than \$7,000 of the \$11,000 total retrofit cost. It's a project that, once done, will save the City \$9,974 per year – and the project will thus pay for itself in only six months," continued Falk.

Jennifer Russell, Parks and Recreation Director, whose office is in the Community Center, is pleased with the results so far. "They've used half as many light bulbs and it's so much brighter. It's an amazing program."

### Dust Up at Fields Meeting

By Cathy Tyson

"It's not safe, not usable, and doesn't meet the needs of this community," said Vince Lattanzio of Carducci & Associates, the firm hired to do the Lafayette School District Outdoor Athletic Facilities Master Plan. The purpose of both recent meetings was to share information on proposed field design plans and hear comments from the community. Clearly concerned residents weren't shy about sharing their opinions. "We invite public comment and feedback," encouraged Lattanzio, adding that there is a link on the school district website to see specific plans.

### The Second Annual Run for Kieran Will be Held on March 8, 2008 Sign up Now!

By Jean Follmer

Kieran Rohan Quinn was a special boy. He was his family's "Little Prince." The Quinn family says, "The Little Prince was eight years old when a degenerative genetic disorder took him away from his friends and our family." That was two years ago on March 8, 2006. In response to the question, "Who is Kieran?" his sister Molly wrote, "Kieran is the brightest star you see when you look up into the night sky, he's the rainbow after every storm, and he is the angel shining down on you helping you get through each day." She went on to write, "Kieran was never able to walk or talk due to his disease but the effect he had on my own life and so many others is indescribable."

The Run for Kieran started out as a small way to get together and share memories of Kieran. "Many family members and friends joined together for informal runs throughout his first year of passing. The first annual Run for Kieran was held on March 8, 2007 on his first birthday in Heaven." The Second Annual Run for Kieran will start on March 8, 2008 at Stanley Middle School at 9:00 in the morning.

Jay Lifson, of the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, was touched by Kieran's mother, Bridget Quinn, whom he describes as having "a wonderful, warm personality." Quinn told him about the Run for Kieran. "What makes this run special is that many kids and families knew Kieran," explains Lifson, "by running, they have a chance to remember him and honor him. Because Kieran was able to attend regular school, (his mother) said that Kieran was able to share memories with his friends and the people around him; they all learned from Kieran."

The Run will include a Fun

Run (2 miles) for all ages and baby-joggers are welcome. A 7-mile run is also being offered this year. The Fun Run will end at the Tot Lot at the Lafayette Community Center for play and treats and the 7-mile course will continue past the Lafayette Community Center and turn around at Rheem Boulevard. There will be energy treats available at the Tot Lot and the run will end back at Stanley Middle School. A participation fee of \$15/participant will include a cool tie-dye t-shirt and a raffle ticket for prizes. Additional raffle tickets can be purchased for \$1/each, 6/\$5 or 12/\$10.

The Run for Kieran is held in love and memory of Kieran and proceeds will be donated to the Lucille Packard's Children's Hos-



First Annual Run for Kieran, March 8, 2007 Photo The Quinn Family

pital at Stanford (Genetics Department) and the Springhill Elementary Instructional Support Program. Bridget Quinn teaches kindergarten at Springhill Elementary School.

Please join the friends and family of Kieran for a fun morning of celebrating Kieran's life! If you'd like to participate in the Run for Kieran, please contact the Quinn family at [quinnsix@sbc-global.net](mailto:quinnsix@sbc-global.net) as soon as possible.

*Ware Designs*  
True Jewelry since 1977

- Custom Designed Jewelry
- Remodel Heirloom Jewelry
- Expert Repair
- Appraisals
- Pearls Restrung

**50% off Watch Battery**  
Now \$5, Reg \$10

Tues 12-5 Wed-Sat 10-5

**"The Forge"** 3416 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette  
283-2988 [www.waredesigns.com](http://www.waredesigns.com)

1 watch battery per person. Exp. 4/15/08. Usually installed while you wait. W/coupon. Restrictions apply.

# ORINDA TAXI

## (925) 482-7112

**24/7 Airports & Local • Hybrid Vehicle**

[www.orindataxi.com](http://www.orindataxi.com)

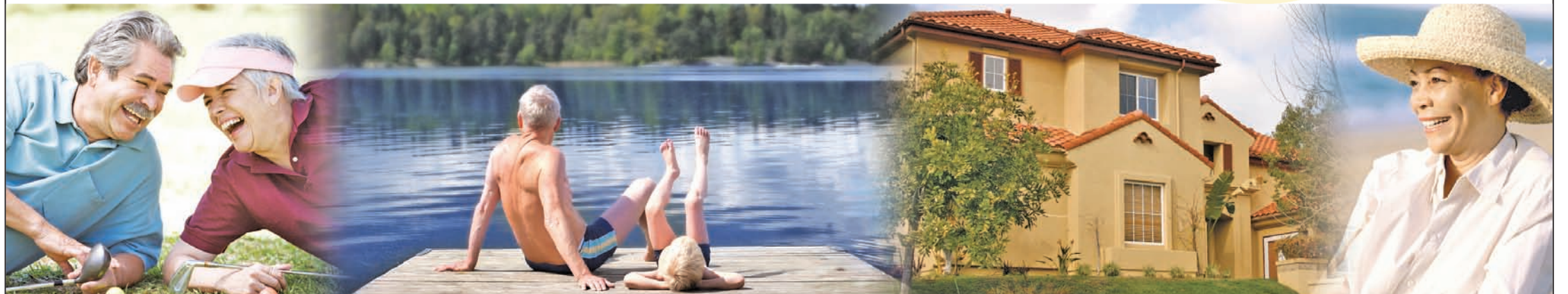
**Hot Cross Buns  
Easter Cakes  
Cupcakes**

**Toot Sweets**

**3518 Mt. Diablo  
Lafayette 284-3111**

## ATTENTION: SENIORS AGE 64-85

RECEIVE UP TO \$1,000,000 of your HOME VALUE IN CASH\*



### ACCESS THE FUTURE GROWTH OF YOUR HOME NOW!

**WHAT IS EQUITYKEY™?**

The EquityKey™ program gives Seniors aged 64-85 the opportunity to receive debt free cash based on the value of their homes.

**DON'T DO A REVERSE MORTGAGE UNTIL YOU CHECK THE BENEFITS OF EQUITYKEY™!**

- No debt
- No closing costs
- No payments or interest
- No income requirement or credit check
- Property can go to your heirs



**CALL NOW**  
**1-888-887-5588**

