

Lamorinda Community

Calendar, Notes, News

Lafayette

Calendar	
City Council	7pm
Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road	
Monday, November 10	
Planning Comm.	7pm
Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road	
Thursday, November 6	
Design Review	7pm
Community Center, Manzanita Room 500 St Mary's Road	
Tuesday, November 12	
Town of Lafayette:	
http://www.ci.lafayette.ca.us	
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http://www.lafayettechamber.org	



Don't Forget Your Backpack
10/18/08 - A concerned citizen alerted Lafayette Police when he noticed a suspicious backpack sitting alone on a bench outside of the Lafayette Library. Police responded to the call and carefully searched the backpack for owner identification. Two phone numbers were discovered in the pack and one of them was next to the word "Mom." Police dialed the number and discovered that the backpack belonged to a Lafayette Elementary student.

Does the Glove Fit?
10/19/08 - A Leland Drive resident was awakened by the sound of someone attempting to pry open the doors in the front and rear of his home. After shouting "Is somebody there?" the victim heard footsteps running away from his house. A short time later, he heard screeching car tires. Police were summoned and discovered a single glove, two mini flashlights and a 32-ounce 7-11 cup in the driveway. Two persons were contacted inside a car parked on Leland Drive. It is unknown whether or not they were involved in the attempted break-in.

Missing Bag
10/16/08 - A Dewing Avenue resident left her bag in the back seat of her car and forgot to lock the door. An unknown suspect was not deterred by the lack of locks and managed to open the door and leave with the bag. Residents are encouraged to lock their doors.

Who Wrote the Check?
10/18/08 - An Oak Hill Road resident received a call from Wachovia Bank about a woman attempting to cash one of his checks in the amount of \$1,500. The victim confirmed he had not written the check and has no idea how the suspect obtained his check. It is still uncertain as to who actually wrote the check and the investigation continues.

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Credit Crisis Impacts Lafayette's Bonds

How safe are Lafayette's investments?

By Cathy Tyson

As it turns out, very safe - no pork bellies or wheat futures grace the City's balance sheet. However there has been a significant bump in the road for bond sales to complete the new library.

When the project was in its infancy, the Lafayette Redevelopment Agency could not have anticipated the current financial meltdown. The plan was to sell \$11 million worth of bonds in October 2008 to complete the remaining year of construction on the project.

"When the RDA sells its bonds later this month, Lafayette will likely pay an interest rate that's up to two percent higher than it was just two months ago. As a result, instead of netting \$11.3 million from the bond issue, Lafayette might reap just \$7 or \$8 million," said City Manager Steven Falk in his Friday Summary.

He continues, "Despite the

turmoil, the City Council - acting as the Lafayette Redevelopment Agency Board - voted unanimously to proceed anyway and issue the bonds. Agency members noted that putting off the bond issuance could stall the project and, given the unstable markets, perhaps relegate the Agency to even higher interest rates."

There are a couple of options to bridge the \$3 to \$4 million funding gap. The RDA Board will consider borrowing the money, to be repaid with interest, from the Lafayette Library and Learning Center Foundation or from other city funds.

Aside from bond concerns, a recent report states, "Staff believes that the City's investments in relatively conservative instruments are in line with the City's policy to value safety over yield."

Tracy Robinson, Administra-

tive Services Director, put it another way, "We tend to not invest in anything we can't understand or explain."

The City tends to ladder investments in order to give the City sufficient liquidity while offering a more stable source of income.

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Meet Lafayette's Newest Officers



Officer Vince Ones and Officer Andy Russell recently joined the Lafayette Police Department from the County Patrol - Valley Station in Alamo. Both officers are already familiar with local watering holes and bad guy hangouts to better serve and protect residents.
Photo Cathy Tyson

Golden Anniversary of Las Trampas



County Supervisor Gayle Uilkema, District 2 with Las Trampas Board President Rich Motta, recipient of a Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors' Resolution. Las Trampas is a non-profit organization that has served adults with developmental disabilities for fifty years. Bonnie Peacock, Development Director, organized the Open House and greeted guests who were offered tours of the campus and refreshments prepared by the consumers at the facility.

Lafayette Juniors Rummage Sale

By Cathy Tyson

Those looking to de-clutter, get a tax deductible donation and support a worthy cause should hold on to their gently used items for the Lafayette Juniors Rummage Sale. On Saturday November 15, the Lafayette Community Center will be open to collect clothing, household goods, furniture, kitchen items, and more from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The big sale starts at 7:00 a.m. on Sunday morning, doors will close at 3:00 - come early

for the best selection.

"The children's department does really well," notes Monica Byers. Many of the Juniors have young families and as every parent knows, kids just seem to grow out of their Big Wheels, high chairs, and toddler size clothing so fast.

This annual fall fund raiser is expected to garner between \$5,000 and \$8,000 to be split among a number of local charities including: Futures Explored,

the Lamorinda Spirit Van, and the Xenophon Therapeutic Riding Center in Orinda. With very little outlay of funds to host the sale, the over fifty member strong Juniors are proud that they get a lot of charity bang for the buck.

The few things they don't accept are children's car seats, computer monitors and non-working electronics. Only cash and checks will be accepted in payment.

Re-elect Carl Anduri Lafayette City Council

PRIORITIES

- **Maintain our fiscal integrity and strengthen our infrastructure**
 - Continue Lafayette's strong tradition of fiscal responsibility.
 - Put in place the financing necessary to improve our infrastructure, especially our neighborhood roads.
- **Preserve our incomparable natural setting and semi-rural ambience**
 - Protect our hillsides, ridges and open space for the enjoyment of all our residents.
 - Support Lafayette's General Plan.
- **Create a vibrant, pedestrian-friendly downtown**
 - Encourage one-of-a-kind shops and restaurants.
 - Work for better parking alternatives in downtown Lafayette.
- **Build a city in which all generations thrive and interact**
 - Make the new library a focal point of our community.
 - Be alert to opportunities to add to the City's parks, recreation programs and trail system in a fiscally sound manner.
 - Support the work of the City's Environmental Task Force and its efforts to improve our quality of life.
 - Find ways to make it easier for our seniors to continue to live in Lafayette and to contribute to our community, including appropriately sited senior housing and improved services for seniors.

EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Councilmember, 2002 - present
- Mayor, 2005
- Planning Commissioner, 1997 - 2002; Chair, 2000 - 2002
- Co-chair, Roads Task Force
- Co-chair, Senior Housing Task Force
- Chair, Environmental Strategy Task Force
- Member, Hillside Task Force
- President, Lex Mundi, a global association of law firms, 2000-present
- Associate, 1974-1980, and Partner, 1980-2000, Morrison & Foerster LLP (admitted to the bar in California and New York; general business practice with emphasis on financial transactions, project finance, cross-border investment, and technology acquisitions)
- B.A., Stanford; J.D., Yale Law School
- Married to Sharon Woodnutt Anduri, who grew up in Lafayette and attended Lafayette schools; two children: Eric and Lauren



"We need Carl's proven abilities, judgment and vision on the City Council. He has been great for our entire community."
Anne Grodin, Chair, Lafayette Community Foundation; former Mayor and Citizen of the Year

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