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Chef Pietro Buttita, left, and owner Ali Kazemi at Bistro Burger & Grill in Lafayette the day before opening Photo Sophie Braccini

elegant, with reclaimed wood tables and bar, dark tiles mimicking wood floors, and colorful original art on the walls. Two digital TVs hang over the large bar, and Kazemi says there will be a DJ Fridays. Kazemi hired chef Pietro Buttita for the Lafayette location. The menu includes a large selection of burgers made with Niman Ranch pasture-raised beef, salads, sandwiches, pastas, and grilled fish, as well as an extensive list of cocktails, wines, smoothies and milkshakes.

Wax A Peel in Lafayette

3579 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette - www.waxapeel.com/

Leah Henrikson moved her salon Wax A Peel this summer from Pleasant Hill to Mt. Diablo Boulevard, next to Francesca and across from Postino's parking lot. The licensed esthetician and her team specialize in facial and body waxing as well as facial peels. "We use nothing but hard wax (stripless wax) for all the sensitive areas, such as your bikini, underarms and facial waxing," she states online. "(For) all bikini and Brazilian wax's we offer you numbing spray and a glass of champagne or wine to help put you at ease."

Stat Med Expands to Pleasant Hill

970 Dewing Ave #100b, Lafayette

901 Sunvalley Blvd., southwest corner of Sunvalley Mall on the border of Pleasant Hill/Concord
www.statmed.com

In 2014 Dr. Armando Samaniego and his team of ER trained professionals opened their first urgent care service, offered seven days a week, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and weekends and holidays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Lafayette. The facility offers non-life threatening

Caroline Salon is Moving

57 Lafayette Circle - 2nd floor - (925) 284-1474 - carolinessalon.net

Caroline Salon this week was expected to move to higher ground on Lafayette Circle. The new locale is across the parking lot from the former location (33 Lafayette Circle), and is now just above Chow. The entrance is between Chow and Nitro Dog. The salon is taking advantage of the new space to add additional services with more professionals joining Caroline Wiseman's team: Kazuko Kantor, master hair stylist and colorist; Jennifer El-Gohary, skin care specialist/esthetician (formerly brows only); Callie Reyerson, eyelash extension specialist; and Kristina Hong and Vanessa Love, nail care specialists.

Bistro Burger & Grill Opens in Lafayette 965 Mountain View Drive

San Francisco-based Bistro Burger & Grill recently opened its fifth location in Lafayette, across from Trader Joe's on Mountain View Drive where Susan Foord Café was located for so many years. The restaurant has been completely remodeled by Ali Kazemi, who also owns the four other locations. The style adopted is modern and

emergency care. "As many as 70 percent of Emergency Room visits are not life-threatening and can be treated in an urgent care setting with appropriately trained physicians," notes Samaniego. Now the Stat Med team has opened a new state-of-the-art facility serving the Pleasant Hill/Concord area, as well as northern Lafayette residents, who may find the Sunvalley location closer to home.

News from the Three Chambers of Commerce

Lafayette

Ribbon cutting for Wax A Peel on Thursday, at 5 p.m. Oct. 8 at 3579 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

October Mixer at Bradley School of Music from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 1042 Brown Ave.

Moraga

Business meeting opened to members and interested parties at 8 a.m. Friday, Oct. 30 at the Fireside room at the Hacienda de las Flores, 2100 Donald Drive. Stephanie Shaterian, owner of fLO Content Marketing, will discuss how to create marketing videos.

Orinda

Orinda Chamber Luncheon with guest speaker NFL Veteran Drew Bennett at noon Friday, Oct. 16 at the Orinda Country Club. Cost: \$30. RSVP online by Oct. 14 at www.orindachamber.org.

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