

# Reporter Wanted

Lamorinda Weekly is looking for a Lafayette City Reporter

**Job Description:**

Beat reporter for Lafayette. Attend 2-4 meetings per month in the town assigned. Maintain relationships with city officials and community leaders. Write 1-2 articles per week covering subjects such as decisions made at City Council or Planning Commission meetings, community events, citizen profiles, police activities, or other interesting news items.

**Required Qualifications:**

Excellent writing and communication skills. Ethical and professional. Live or work in the Lamorinda area and have the ability to write balanced, researched, well-structured articles. Prior newsroom experience helpful, but not required.

**Compensation:** Compensation is made on a per meeting/article basis.

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## Senior Symposium 'Aging by Design' Set for Aug. 6

By Cathy Tyson

Now in its eighth year, the senior symposium, "Aging by Design," is back with valuable information for seniors in Lamorinda.

Sponsored by the Lafayette Community Foundation, the event will feature special guest speakers, include Dr. Sandra Karpenko, director of palliative care at John Muir Hospital, who will discuss "Love, Death and All That Matters." Other presenters will focus

on laughter yoga and hearing loss issues.

The free event will be held from 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Aug. 6 at Lafayette Elementary School, 950 Moraga Road. Organizers ask that people register for the free event. Register via the Lafayette Community Foundation website at [www.lafayettecf.org](http://www.lafayettecf.org) or by phone at (925) 284-8214. Those who do have a chance to win a \$100 gift certificate at Diablo Foods.

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## Lafayette Seeking City Council Candidates

By Cathy Tyson

Want to serve Lafayette residents and are available on the second and fourth Monday nights of the month? The City of Lafayette has announced that nomination papers for three seats on the city council will be available at the city offices, 3675 Mount Diablo Blvd., suite 210, from now until the filing cutoff of 5 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 12.

Three of the five members' terms will expire in November of this year: Mayor Mark Mitchell,

vice mayor Mike Anderson and Traci Reilly. Reilly has already said she will complete her term, but won't run again.

According to city clerk Joanne Robbins, in case one or more of the incumbents don't file nomination papers by Friday, Aug. 12, the filing period will be extended to Wednesday, Aug. 17 for individuals who are not currently city council members. Contact Robbins for more information on the position at (925) 284-1968.

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## Citizens' Oversight Committee

The Lafayette School District is currently seeking applicants to serve on the Measure C Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee. Applications are available on the District website at [www.lafsd.k12.ca.us](http://www.lafsd.k12.ca.us) or email Sharon Carman at [scarman@lafsd.k12.ca.us](mailto:scarman@lafsd.k12.ca.us) for information. Applications are due by Sept. 9, 2016.

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## Consider Alternative Transportation to LSC Meet

By Peggy Spear

The fifth annual Lafayette Swim Conference Championship Meet will be hosted at Acalanes High School on July 30 and 31. This popular event is the culmination of the 2016 swim season for many local children, ranging in age from 4 to 18.

However, parking won't be as pretty as some of the swims because of the construction caused by solar installations in the Acalanes High School parking lot. The Lafayette Swim Conference has ar-

ranged several alternatives for families to alleviate parking issues on nearby streets.

It is encouraging attendees to use UBER, ride bikes or carpool. As an additional measure, the LSC has secured a private shuttle service to transport swimmers from the Lafayette BART parking lot to Acalanes High School.

Organizers are also urging attendees to be courteous and respectful of the surrounding homes and neighbors.

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## Local Sales Tax Update

After more discussion about sales tax language, and with the county deadline to place a measure on the November ballot looming, a final decision is expected at the July 25 city council meeting. It's expected to be unanimously approved to place the measure on the ballot and give voters a chance to decide if they approve of a general 1 percent sales tax measure for 29 years that would provide \$3 million annually, with citizens' oversight. All of the funds would be spent in Lafayette with priority for protecting open space, reducing downtown congestion, enhancing police protection, increasing downtown parking, acquiring land for downtown parks and other public uses, and revitalizing the historic Park Theater.

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