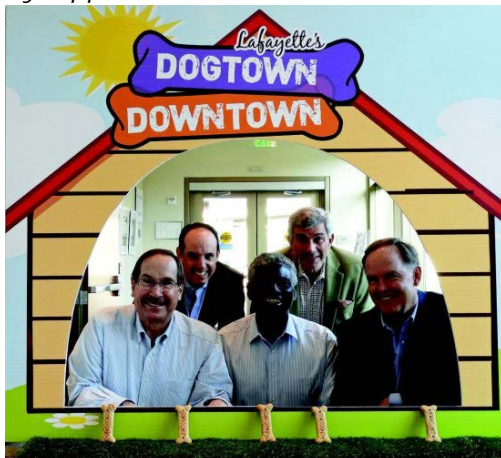


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Every dog can have his day at Dogtown Downtown in Lafayette

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Is the city council in the doghouse again? Photo provided

All the coolest Lamorinda dogs are currently planning to attend Dogtown Downtown from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, April 29.

The annual event, now in its fourth year, welcomes all well-behaved, leashed doggy participants, kicking off with a grand parade from the Lafayette Library and Learning Center to the Lafayette Plaza Park where all the activities and contests will be taking place.

The free event will include working dog and canine agility demonstrations by the Lafayette Police and Canine Companions.

For those dogs who don't have to take their canine professionalism to that sort of degree in their working career, there are more attainable goals in the friendly competitions such as Best Dog-Owner Team Trick, Dog who can "Stay" the Longest, Best Costume and Best of Show.

In addition to the fun dog competitions there will be creative canine crafts and other activities for dog lovers of all ages.

Tony La Russa's Animal Rescue Foundation and Contra Costa County Animal Services will also be present and available for pet adoptions. The fun event will have plenty of dog-related vendors.

The Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, Lafayette Library and Learning Center and the City of Lafayette host the annual community event.

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