

# New Lafayette logo for 50th anniversary year

By Pippa Fisher



Winning entry for Lafayette's 50th anniversary logo by Sofia Cruz.

Public Art Committee board member Erling Horn presented the winning design for the new Lafayette 50th anniversary city logo, which residents can expect to see on banners, bumper stickers, pins, posters, mugs and t-shirts.

Lafayette Partners in Education sponsored the contest among high school students in Lamorinda to come up with a design to commemorate Lafayette's 50th anniversary of its incorporation.

Horn explained as he made his presentation to a recent city council meeting that the hard task of judging the more than 100 logos fell to the PAC and the Banner Committee, who took into consideration the overall design and color scheme as well as the feasibility of reproduc-

ing the logos in both small and large formats.

The group unanimously selected the entry by Acalanes student Sofia Cruz – a design that features the hills and reservoir in sunshine either with or without fireworks.

Although Sofia was not present at the meeting, runner up Acalanes student Miles Wiesenthal was. Wiesenthal told the council members that he takes Digital Design at school.

Vice Mayor Don Tatzin commented that he was very impressed with all the designs and suggested a collage of all the entries could be on display at the library.

Residents should be on the lookout for the new artwork from the city's talented students.

# Traffic lights hit temporary roadblock

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After a flurry of orange-vest and hard-hat activity along Reliez Station Road in Lafayette in recent months, work on the installation of the two new sets of traffic lights stalled temporarily.

Although residents might see some continued cleanup work and will have noticed the poles and new signage, the project is delayed due to several unanticipated conflicts concerning insufficient clearance from existing high-voltage electrical transmission lines.

Currently all intersection improvement work and all underground electrical infrastructure to support the new signals is complete.

Lafayette city engineering staff is talking with PG&E to solve the new issues and are exploring the possibility of deenergizing the lines temporarily to allow for the installation at the Olympic Boulevard intersection. Lafayette City Engineer Tony Coe says that Lafayette would schedule that work during the time of day that would affect the least number of PG&E customers and that it could mean late night work.

Further up the hill at the Las Trampas Road and Richelle Court intersection, Coe says that the overhead lines that are closer to the ground may have to be physically raised to provide proper clearance, which would require engineering by PG&E. He says that could take a little more time.

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# Lafayette residents sip, sample and socialize at Taste of Lafayette



Volunteer Tom Stack helps at the tour

Photo Pippa Fisher

Cloudy skies and chilly temperatures did not deter folks from the community dinner party known as the Taste of Lafayette.

Residents strolled along the city's "Restaurant Row" as they sipped, sampled and socialized while visiting close to 30 participating establishments during the sold-out event. Live music and entertainment kept things hopping

at the "taste pavilion." A raffle benefited the Lafayette Community Foundation.

Lafayette resident Sue Conway said that she and her girlfriends have been coming to the last three such events. "It is nice to stroll and taste samples from participating restaurants. It's nice to meet people and see friends from around the community." —Pippa Fisher

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