

Lafayette

Public Meetings

City Council

Monday, May 14, 7 p.m. Lafayette Library & Learning Center, Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Planning Commission

Monday, May 7, 7 p.m. Lafayette Library & Learning Center, Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Design Review

Monday, May 14, 7 p.m. Lafayette Library & Learning Center, Arts & Science Discovery Center, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

School Board Meetings

Acalanes Union High School District Wednesday, May 2, 7 p.m. AUHSD Board Room 1212 Pleasant Hill Road, Lafayette www.acalanes.k12.ca.us

Lafayette School District Wednesday, May 30, 7 p.m. Regular Board Meeting District Office Board Room 3477 School St., Lafayette www.lafsd.k12.ca.us

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From left: James Leach and Kelsey Levante Photo City of Lafayette/Jeff Heyman

tions to helping the city achieve its by the AP environmental science environmental goals.

ners based on the candidates' activities reducing their footprint, helping achieve the city's environ- residents on the climate crisis." mental goals and inspiring others in the community. Campolindo High School stu-

dent Kelsey Levante and Lafayette resident James Leach received their recognition at the April 23 city council meeting.

Kelsey won "for inspiring and educating the Lafayette community about environmental sustainability."

A member of the Campolindo Environmental Club, Kelsey helps in the garden after school and has

wo Lafayette residents were learned how to build an aquaponrecognized for their contribu- ics system for the school to be used classes and the biology classes as The Environmental Task Force, an example of symbiotic, closednow in its 11th year, selected win- loop system. Kelsey inspires her classmates in sustainable practices.

Leach won "for educating local

Many in the community know Leach for his research on air quality, and his presentations to the city council on particulate matter. Trained by the Climate Reality Project and the author of "The Sustainable Way: Straight talk about global warming - what causes it, who denies it, and the common sense transition to renewable energy," Leach has worked with Sustainable Lafayette to promote air quality monitoring.

Heyman joins city staff in new communications role

By Pippa Fisher



Jeff Heyman fills the newly-created position of communications analyst at the city of Lafayette. Photo provided

here is a new face at the city offices. Jeff Heyman has joined the city staff in its newly created role of communications analyst.

Heyman started in the new position April 9, coming to the city Francisco State University in fine from the Oakland-based Peralta art photography and broadcast College District where he headed communications. up public information and communications for the 25,000-student done the best job it can in comdistrict.

Prior to his 18 years at the Peralta Colleges, Heyman was an information officer and deputy spokesperson for the United Nations Peacekeeping Department, approach, and this is a set of skills lishing, video, social media and is home."

serving in Cambodia, Rwanda, Angola and former Yugoslavia.

Heyman, born in San Francisco, spent his teenage years in Alamo. He is a graduate of San

"For a long time, the city has municating with residents about the many things we do, but with the world of communications and media ever-changing, and the rise of social media, we needed a new

City Manager Steve Falk in a press Falk. release.

Heyman will be beefing up the city's social media presence, facilitating dialog on platforms such as NextDoor, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram as well as taking over the Almost Daily Briefing, the Weekly Roundup, the quarterly newsletter Vistas and Lafayette Listens.

Heyman has taught social media at Laney College and was a columnist for a local newspaper.

"He is skilled in writing, pub-

staff does not currently have," said a good photographer as well," says

In fact residents are quite likely to spot Heyman at city events or wandering along the streets of Lafayette with a camera in hand.

Heyman lives with his wife Sari and rescue greyhound Katie Bugs in Alameda.

"I am very excited about the many possibilities that this new communications role offers and I am honored to have been tapped to fill this first-time position," Heyman said. "It feels a lot like coming

Lafayette's strolling community dinner party coming soon



Ticket holders mingle before the tasting starts in earnest, enjoying drinks and appetizers at last year's Taste Pavilion. Photo provided ow in its 16th year, Lafay- more than 25 restaurants.

ette's annual restaurant walk stroll and socialize at Taste of Laget together with friends and try out many of the city's world-class restaurants in one night.

The evening kicks off in the Postino and many more. Taste Pavilion in downtown Lafayette at the corner of Mt. Diablo make their way back to the Taste Boulevard and Lafayette Circle Pavilion for coffee, dessert and the near the Bank of the West where raffle drawing. 'tasters' enjoy a selection of appetizers, wine and beer at a hosted re- warm but, as last year's chilly event ception with live musical entertainment from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Raffle tickets will be on sale to community. benefit the Lafayette Community Foundation and the programs and services of the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce.

The strolling part of the eveas ticketholders make their way the Chamber website at www.laat their own pace along restaurant fayettechamber.org/events/tasterow, sampling tastes of dishes from of-lafayette.

This year Lafayette's latest is coming up on Tuesday, May eatery will be taking part - Batch 15. The once-a-year chance to sip, & Brine, scheduled to open at the beginning of May, next to Pizz Anfayette is a perfect opportunity to tica, where the old Swaad Indian restaurant was located.

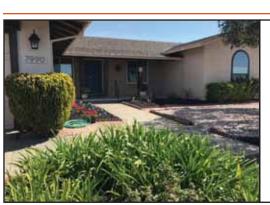
Other restaurants include Locanda Positano, Cooperage, Reve,

From 8 p.m. onward diners

Hopefully the evening will be proved, it isn't necessary for a delightful evening in the Lafayette

The event has sold out in previous years so those interested in attending shouldn't delay in getting their tickets.

Tickets for the May 15 event ning begins from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. are \$55 and can be purchased on



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