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Former Mayor of 'Tatzin City' honored at packed dinner

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The 2019 Citizen of the Year Don Tatzin (center) poses with his wife Ellen Reintjes and Sen. Steve Glazer at a dinner to honor Tatzin March 22. Photo Pippa Fisher

This year's Citizen of the Year, Don Tatzin, was honored at a dinner March 22 at the Lafayette Park Hotel and Spa in front of friends, family and dignitaries.

Emcee'd by Interim City Manager Niroop Srivatsa, the longtime public servant of "Tatzintown" (one of several monikers for Lafayette along with Tatzinville, coined by Srivatsa for the evening) received several proclamations and honors.

District 2 Contra Costa County Supervisor Candace Andersen found the perfect honor for the lawmaker who already has more proclamations than he could possibly ever display - a set of engraved kitchen utensils.

Now while creating his signature truffles, he will use a spatula inscribed "Don - always Smooths Things Over;" and a whisk inscribed with "Don - a Transportation Whisk Taker."

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