

MOL celebrates 50th anniversary



Front row, from left: Carl Bergez (representing League Honoree Doug Bergez), Brad Piatt, M.D., Dave Flett, George Oldenbourg, Bill Buehler, Bruce Burns, Steve Clark; back row: Mel Gilmour, Ted Haugner, Greg Young, Joe Cushing, Mike Sebree (current commissioner), Phil Estes, Yank Eppinger, Bill Fraser, Doug Pearson; not pictured: Greg and Hasmig Vasgerdsian representing Vic Vasgerdsian, Andy Eppinger, Tyler Petite and Drew Bennett, who were also present at the celebration.

Submitted by Michael Sebree

On Sept. 7, MOL Flag Football celebrated its 50th Anniversary at Joaquin Moraga Middle School. What started out half a century ago as a simple idea for about a 70 local kids to play flag football together in the Fall, has grown into one of the country's largest not-for-profit, community-run, flag football

programs with nearly 700 players this season. To help kick off the 50th season, MOL invited the League's original organizers, coaches, community leaders, players and key historic figures to come back and perform the coin toss for each of Saturday's games as well as join in activities with current players and coaches. MOL was honored that the League's founders (or their family's representatives) were all present for the celebration.

Acalanes JV Volleyball team wins the Paganini Invitational



Back row, from left: Emma Johnson, Tate Huisingh, Hanna Hageboeck, Maya Paul, Mara Korzeniowska, Natalie Marsh, Coach Alan Go; front row: Gianna Manzone, Rachel Zhang, Kira Wood, Alara Rose, Carly Coffee, Claudia Lindgren, Autumn Long, Chloe Wu

Submitted by Sami Hill

The Acalanes JV volleyball team traveled to Sonoma to compete in the Sonoma Valley High School Paganini Invitational. The Dons went 6-0 for the day, beating some very strong Northern California teams. On their path to tourney champions, the Dons took out

Justin-Siena (25-10, 25-7), St. Helena (25-11, 25-14), Liberty (18-25, 25-15, 15-10), Cardinal Newman (25-21, 17-25, 15-11), home team Sonoma High in semifinals (25-16, 25-10) and Albany in the finals (25-18, 25-22). Emma Johnson was named tournament MVP and Rachel Zhang named to the all-tournament team.

Karate Olympic hopefuls in the making



Photo provided

Submitted by Thomas Westernoff

Karate is now an Olympic sport and will be in the Summer 2020 Olympics hosted in Tokyo Japan.

Karate & Fitness USA, Lafayette athletes competed in the 46th Annual Fiestas International Karate Championships in Los Angeles on Sept. 15. Athletes from all over the World participated in this event from USA, Japan, Mexico, Honduras, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Guatemala, Chile, Spain, and Italy.

Karate is a sport in which boys and girls can participate. Competition in forms or kata in which the athlete wins by the best performance and in sparring or kumite in which the athlete

wins with the most scored points in battle.

Eleven athletes from Lafayette and Moraga return home with a total of 11 awards.

LA Fiestas - Karate Tournament Results

Name	Kata	Kumite
Cormac Maher	4th	2nd
Elijah Santos	1st	1st
Stafford Williams	4th	1st
Marcos Reyes	4th	3rd
Sophia Hong	2nd	1st
Wayne Dong	3rd	4th
Ethan Luo	2nd	4th
Ryoma Durkee	2nd	5th
Zac Kemp	3rd	4th
Parsa Shayestah	4th	4th
Amir Poursateh	4th	4th

Eclipse U14 boys undefeated



Back row, from left: Mateo Perlera, Stewart Cocotis, James Davis, Rowen Daly, Coach Johnny Molina, Henry Vanhouten, Will Atwood, Chris Kauffeld; front row: Cole Hickey, Drew DreFrancisci, Devan Abeyta, Max Roberts, Owen Ludwig, Viggo Wirstrom, Conner Naughten, Chris Paganelli, Brendan Baldelli, Ben Tallon.

Submitted by Liz Ludwig

The U14B Eclipse soccer team won the SRFC Soccerfest in San Ramon. They went undefeated in four games.

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HAPPY FALL from LMYA SOCCER

The soccer season is in full swing and our LMYA Teams are having fun and getting better. The Jamboree on August 11th at Campolindo HS was a successful kick off to the season with all teams participating in mini games and gearing up. With almost 2,000 players playing on 200 teams this season, LMYA Soccer continues to be a tradition in the Lamorinda Community. Thank you LMYA families!

COME PLAY BASKETBALL WITH US!

- > Registration extended through 10/4 (with Late Fee)
- > Sign Up Online TODAY!
- > Evaluations are on 10/6