



Public Meetings

City Council

Tuesday, May 29, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Planning Commission

Monday, May 21, 7 p.m.
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Design Review

Tuesday, May 29, 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 16, 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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New memorial unveiled

By Pippa Fisher

The culmination of many years of work, the new memorial outside the Veterans Memorial Center was officially unveiled on April 29. The monument is inscribed with the 23 names of residents of Contra Costa County who gave their lives during active service for their country since 9/11.

With many local dignitaries present, Rep. Mark DeSaulnier spoke of the sacrifice made by the young men and women and of the sacrifice of those families who lost their loved ones.

State Sen. Steve Glazer and Assemblywoman Catharine Baker, introduced by Supervisor Candace Andersen, read aloud the names of the fallen, including that of Lafayette native, Senior Airman Jonathan Vega Yelner.



Photo provided

Following the moving ceremony, the large group including Gold Star families, Blue Star Moms, friends and residents went outside where senior members of Boy Scout Troop 243 – a troop to which Yelner had belonged – unveiled the new memorial.

Community canine capers in Dogtown Downtown

By Pippa Fisher



Last year's Dogtown Downtown event.

Photo Pippa Fisher

Is Lafayette going to the dogs? It certainly is, at least on Saturday, May 19 with the ever-popular Dogtown Downtown event.

The annual community event sponsored by the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce is now in its fifth year and is always fun for all ages. It is similar to the Westminster Kennel Club Dog show in as much as both feature dogs – but this event is way cooler. And getting there is easier, too.

All friendly, social, on-leash pups of all ages will be welcome. The event is a chance for residents to mingle with dog lovers and showcase their pooch's special talents in contests such as "Best Team Trick" (owner and dog together) and "Best of Show."

If Fido has a flair for fashion, he might appreciate a chance to join in

Lafayette's third annual canine fashion show, "Doggie Vogue."

New this year is the "Doggie Howl" contest, for kids up to 10 years old only.

And there's always the "Looks Most Like Owner" category.

Registrations for all contests will be at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center Amphitheater from 9:30 a.m. where the event kicks off with Downward Dog Yoga.

From the library's outdoor pavilion at 10 a.m. dogs and owners will strut their stuff in a parade along Golden Gate Way with a police escort to the Lafayette Plaza for the contests.

As in previous years, there will be demonstrations and exhibits along with vendors and dog adoptions.

The event runs from 9:30 a.m. to midday on May 19.

It's a wrap!

By Pippa Fisher



The first wrap, installed on the corner of Lafayette Circle and Mt. Diablo Boulevard. Photo Pippa Fisher

Observant Lafayette residents might have noticed a few random acts of art around town lately. Utility boxes around the city are now being disguised with colorful wraps, designed by Lafayette students to help celebrate the city's 50th anniversary.

The eye-catching project started with an idea from the ad hoc 50th Anniversary Committee over a year ago, and it has taken a lot of work since then from several bodies to pull it all together.

Public Art Committee Member Erling Horn and PAC Chair Janice Peacock worked with Lafayette Partners in Education Executive

Director Myrna Kimmelman, who provided a selection of elementary school art projects in a variety of mediums including pastels, watercolors, crayon and gouache as well as logos designed by high school students to the PAC for review and selection.

With funding from the city and a contract with Sequoia Signs and Graphics, Peacock set to work with local graphic designer Danielle Gogo-Gallagher to create the large-format image files – and lay out the images so that they would be visually pleasing from all angles, ensuring the image wrapped all the way around. ... continued on page A8

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