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Recipe for Trouble, 7/27/11 Take two teens; add an innocently parked truck; glaze/vandalize with flour and yogurt; interrupt when a good citizen confronts the vandals. Both teens take off on foot. One vandal was positively identified; his goose should be cooked; the other one will be in hot water soon enough.

Adult Behaving Badly, 7/28/11 One dissatisfied customer was a bit heavy-handed at a local store. A Lafayette police report says he threw his fist on the counter and subsequently broke the business' ATM machine. They're calling it a "civil" matter; nothing "civil" about it, as the business suffered the loss of a \$600 machine.

Leaf-less in Lafayette, 7/28/11 Someone called police to say his tree was cut down without permission. To add insult to injury, a retaining wall and sprinkler on the property were also damaged.

Recently Burgled ,7/25-7/29/11 Missing: \$200, \$875 and \$1800; plus a wallet (contents valued at \$700) stolen from a parked car in a smash-and-grab, a '96 Nissan stolen outright and \$11.34 worth of batteries lifted from a store. It was a busy week for those with light fingers.

An International Incident, 8/4/11 Lafayette Police say two flags, one American and one British, were broken off a flagpole. Really? Got nothing better to do? Flag values were listed at \$24.

A Little Alchemy, 8/4/11

Atomic number 29* (*copper) was taken by two males. Its value was \$350, but it never went on sale. When Lafayette Police step in of course they'll save the day.

And they'll clap those thieves in Fe cuffs and take the pair away.

A Two-Town Bender, 8/6/11 A Walnut Creek resident was inebriated enough to make it all the way to Lafayette where he busied himself yelling at people. He was intercepted in Lafayette, where "due to his level of intoxication" he was unable to care for himself and placed in the pokey.

Pearls for the Swine, 8/5/11 A car's passenger side window was smashed and the thief/thieves snatched a jewelry box with \$10,000 worth of jewelry inside. Now, what does one wear to an arraignment?

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