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Small Town Fun at the Moraga Pear and Wine Festival

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Left to right: Mina Lucacher, Grant Subbelfield, Virginia Smith and Bob Gardner

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The theme of pears and wine was picked up by one of the contestants in the pear recipe contest. Robin Valentine created a pear in wine sorbet dessert that tasted delicious and won her 4th prize. In the meantime, Monica Chappell was teaching a wine and food pairing class with three wines (two of them local): a Parkmon Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc was paired with goat cheese; Captain Vineyard's Petite Sirah went with rare beef; and a Washington State Riesling met chips and salsa. Chappell, who usually teaches a two-hour class, said,

well, with mostly local wines."

groups, representatives from the nice, fruitful fun.

"The Town of Moraga asked me to Town and inflatable jumpies for the create a shorter class to do outside kids completed the scene in which during the festival. It worked very neighbors, friends and families met and mingled. There was nothing pre-Artists, community service tentious, nothing outrageous – just

The winners of the Pear Recipe contest are:

1st place: Elaine Cable's Savory Pear Tartlets with Chevre 2nd place: Sharon Metcalf's Fresh Pear Upside Down Cake 3rd place: Robin Valentine's Pear and Red Wine Sorbet 4th place: Brian Pergamit's Cinnamon Pear Pockets

Front page photo: On the left, Mayor Karen Mendonca jumps in with both feet; right, a fair young maiden stomps grapes while Parks and Rec Director Jay Ingram kneels to capture the juice.

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Productive Summer Interns Wow Lafayette

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He joins current Planning Technician Sarah Allen, Administrative Assistant Donica Katayanai, and now work for the City.

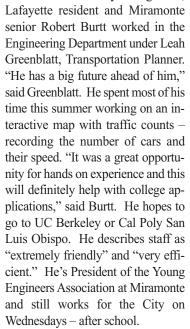
on a variety of tasks include posting public hearing notices and reviewing development applications for completeness, working on the downtown

streetlight replacement project, and charming, effervescent Megan the Lafayette Open Space Plan.

Born into a family of engineers,

Michael Cass supervised the new employee?

Canales, who just started her senior year at University of Oregon and an-Public Works Technician David Lafayette resident and Miramonte ticipates receiving her degree in Pub-Terhune – all former interns who senior Robert Burtt worked in the lic Policy Management this coming Engineering Department under Leah June. "I learned so much – it's a re-This year's summer interns took Greenblatt, Transportation Planner. ally dynamic environment....and very inclusive." She describes the said Greenblatt. He spent most of his Planning Department as a "tight knit group - eager to teach, very collegial - gathering input from each other, and extremely helpful." She split her time interning between Danville, where she worked two days per week, and Lafayette where she spent the other three. Between her college classes and this interning experience, she has a keen appreciation for the benefits of good planning: "Planning helps mold and preserve lifestyle already here and enhance it further." Armed with a diploma, perhaps last year's intern can become next year's



OCF Welcomes New **Board Member**



Front row, from left: Richard Westin (President), Dick Burkhalter (Vice President); back row: Sue Severson (Founding Trustee), Susan Vandegrift (Secretary), and Carol Penskar (Treasurer). Photo provided

vsan Vandegrift joins the Board of the Orinda Community Foundation; Vandegrift replaces Paula Goodwin, who moved out of Orinda. OCF is now accepting grant applications, due October 15.

The Foundation maintains a Community Master Calendar on its website. Visit www.orindafoundation.org for more information.



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