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Since 1997 Douglass Designs, Inc. has been recognized as one of the Bay Area's premier designers of innovative Kitchen & Bath new construction and remodels. Their approach has featured "green" alternatives and they have partnered with many local businesses to strengthen our "Shop Local" programs. From her success, Leila has been able to donate back to many charities including Lafayette Partners in Education, Habitat for Humanity, ARF and Save Mount Diablo. Leila is a new member of the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Congratulations Leilah!

Taste of Lafayette For one Spring night every year, the sidewalks are filled with people walking from restaurant to restaurant tasting Lafayette's finest cuisine. Our premier event that caps off a month when we proudly honor the dozens of wonderful restaurants that make up Restaurant Row. (Bragging rights for claiming the BEST dining in the Contra Costa.) Tuesday, May 17th is when we gather in Lafayette Plaza and over indulge for 3 hours. Join us! The registration form can be found in this newsletter or you can register on line at www.lafayettechamber.org

Concert at the Res – Presented by the Lafayette Rotary Club Saturday, May 14th, 11am -2pm enjoy the sounds of Acalanes, Stanley, Bentley Schools and the Rossmoor Big Band at the Lafayette Reservoir. Concerts are held on the meadow up behind the boat house. Shuttles run from the main parking lot up to the stage. Food & Beverages are provided. The show is FREE!

Movies in the Park? That's right! The City of Lafayette and the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce jointly announce the Inaugural Summer Outdoor Movie Series to be held the third Thursday of the month, between May and August, starting at 8:00 p.m. at the Lafayette Plaza. This summer, as part of our ongoing effort to enliven downtown, the City of Lafayette and the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce are planning, once again, to screen outdoor movies in Lafayette Plaza. Last year's trial run of Monster's Inc. was a huge hit, and we're delighted to bring back this community event once a month, May through August, starting at dusk. The movies will be free of charge, and all are welcome to attend!

Following are the dates, titles, and ratings for the movies scheduled this summer:

May 19 ET, PG

June 16 How to Train Your Dragon, G

July 21 Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark, PG

Aug. 18 Finding Nemo, G

Village Nights In addition to the movies, we do have the Contra Costa Certified Farmer's Market back each Thursday nights from May through September. Take a stroll through town. Grab a bite to eat at one of our great restaurants. Stop in at your favorite stores, bite

into a fresh strawberry and enjoy the music on stage in Lafayette Plaza. Make Thursday nights your night to hang around.

Rock the Plaza Concerts Fridays in August are set to rock from 6-8pm at Lafayette Plaza. Bring a picnic or let the Lafayette Rotary Club take care of you.

MARCH MIXER Better Homes and Garden Mason McDuffie



Jerry Compton, Patty & Carl Anderson, Julia Kimball, and Scott Hampton at the March mixer at Better Homes and Garden Mason McDuffie.

The March mixer was held at the Better Homes and Garden Mason McDuffie office located at 999 Deer Hill Road. Julia Kimball and her staff welcomed the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce and guests to the newly update office and provided delicious appetizers from Uncle Yu's. Attendees helped in supporting the Contra Costa Food Bank food drive in achieving 50 pounds of food collected. Thanks to the businesses who donated prizes for the raffle, Better Homes and Garden Mason McDuffie, Zahra Boutique & Salon, Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, Anderson Movers, Lafayette Car Wash, LamorindaWeb, Town Hall Theatre and Merchant Services.

MARCH RIBBON CUTTING Posh Boutique



Roya Bayat, owner of Posh Boutique and guests celebrate with a ribbon cutting for her business located at 3416 Mt. Diablo Blvd. in the Forge property.



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Drawing from her extensive training, Martha implements the latest trends and techniques. For Martha, in order to achieve the right look; an individual's personality, hair type and style, along with their face complexion, and color of their eyes, must be considered. She does this by listening, observing and closely communicating with her clients. Flare de Hair's new location provides a relaxing and comfortable environment.

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Dr. Owens is a D.N.F.T. chiropractor who has been practicing in the East Bay for fifteen years. Many of her patients are athletes, dancers, and those who want to feel great. Conditions healed by this gentle technique are sprains, strains, arthritis, whiplash, sciatica and swollen discs as shown by MRI.

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Yolo Gold & Silver has operated on Main Street in Woodland, CA for the last 28 years buying/selling gold, silver, rare coins, estate jewelry and Western Americana. Owner, Doug Scougale, a Lafayette resident, and long time precious metals specialist loves to educate his clientele on the subject, welcomes your call 530-219-4515.

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There is a new CA Non-Profit kicking off it's first pilot in Lafayette! The iWinQ Foundation is a fundraising vehicle for schools and charities to harness the power of social networking, while partnering

iWinQ Inc. continued
with local merchants to build a sustainable and powerful repeat customer business. We look to cultivate a culture of social consumerism, whereby individuals are inspired to discern what causes they want to support and are provided a singular technical support system that draws them to local businesses who are part of the iWinQ Network.

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The Saklan School continued.

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The Saklan School, Pre-K through 8, is a non-profit, independent school serving students in the East Bay. Founded in 1954, Saklan provides a strong academic program paired with an equally strong enrichment offering of Spanish, Performing and Visual Arts, PE, Science & Technology. Their mission is to challenge students to think creatively, act compassionately, and live courageously.

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FREE SCORE COUNSELING

Come into the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce to receive free one on one SCORE counseling for local small business owners. SCORE is America's premier source of free and confidential small business advice for entrepreneurs.

Keith Blakeney and Ray Elliott, of Score will be giving business advice at the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce office. Please call 284-7404 for your appointment.

APRIL MIXER Lafayette Physical Therapy



L to R: Lisa Gibson, Shelly Muray, Jill Watase and Valerie Watase of Lafayette Physical Therapy

A big thank you to Valerie Watase and her staff for inviting us to their facility located at 3468 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Suite B110. The Lafayette Chamber of Commerce and guests thoroughly enjoyed the tours and especially the fantastic food that Valerie provided from fellow chamber member Savory Affairs owned by Carl Drosky.

Thanks to all the businesses that donated the prizes for our raffle, NoTrace Secure Shredding Service, Clocks, Etc., Melaleuca-Gayle Lee Pulley, Lafayette Physical Therapy, Oakland A's, Dino Riggio of Area Pro Realty, Town Hall Theatre, Blodgett-Abbey Carpet & Flooring, Sonia's Beauty & Body Salon and Julie Barlier of J. Rockcliff Realtors.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <i>May</i>	2	3 Executive Committee Meeting 8am, Chamber	4	5	6	7
8	9 Chamber Board 12pm, LPH&S	10 Tues., May 10 Shop Lafayette Committee 12:00pm, Chamber		11 Wed., May 11 MIXER Clocks, Etc. 5:30pm, 971 Moraga Rd.		12 Thurs., May 12 RIBBON CUTTING Oyama Sushi 5pm, 3651 Mt. Diablo Blvd.
15	16	17 9th Annual Taste of Lafayette 5:30pm, Plaza Park	18 Wed., May 18 Leveraging Your Business Workshop 8am, Lafayette Library		19 Thurs., May 19 Entrepreneur's Club <small>An Alliance of Independent Business Professionals</small> 8:30am, Chamber	
22	23	24 Green Committee 12 noon Chamber	25 Wed., May 26 RIBBON CUTTING Zahra Boutique Salon 5pm, 3578 Mt. Diablo Blvd.		27 Bus. Issues/ Govt. Affairs Meeting 8am, Chamber	28
29	30 Office Closed Memorial Day	31	1 <i>June</i>		2	3
5	6	7 Executive Committee Meeting 8am, Chamber	8 Wed., June 8 MIXER The Stratford at Countrywood 5:30pm, 1545 Pleasant Hill Road - Lafayette		9 Thurs., June 9 RIBBON CUTTING East West Kung Fu 5pm, 3684 Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
13 Mon., June 13 Chamber Board 12pm, LPH&S	14 Tues., June 14 Crime Prevention Workshop 5:30pm, Lafayette Library		15 Blogging Strategies 8am, Lafayette Library	16 Entrepreneur's Club <small>An Alliance of Independent Business Professionals</small> 8:30am, Chamber	17	18
19	20 Social Media Marketing 8am, Lafayette Library	21	22	23	24 Bus. Issues/ Govt. Affairs Meeting 8am, Chamber	25
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3	4 Office Closed Independence Day Holiday	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Chamber Board 12pm, LPH&S	12 Shop Lafayette Committee 12:00pm, Chamber	13 MIXER Lafayette Veteran's Hall 5:30pm, 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd.	14	15	16
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