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Karen Mulvaney named Lafayette 2011 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

On March 25th, the citizens and business owners of Lafayette will come together to honor Karen Mulvaney as our 2011 Citizen of the Year. Karen was picked from 10 nominees, all of whom have gone above and beyond to contribute to our community.

Anyone who has worked on a school parcel tax, the library or the many projects Karen has worked on, knows that she gives it her "all." Beginning many years ago when her children were in Nursery School, Karen has stepped in and taken on many thankless jobs that have to get done. Karen and her husband Tom have been major donors to many of the Lafayette's projects and causes.

The "Citizen of the Year" dinner is sponsored by the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce and the Contra Costa Times/Lamorinda Sun. The event take place at the Lafayette Park Hotel & Spa on March 25, 2011. A registration form can be found on the chamber's website www.lafayettechamber.org. Cocktails begin at 6pm and Dinner is served at 7pm. CONGRATULATIONS Karen! And thank you for your contributions...

Downtown Specific Plan Heads Towards Final Review and Adoption

After reviewing the DSP for over a year and half, the Lafayette Planning Commission is finishing up work on its recommendations to the City Council. Upcoming meetings will be on March 7, 14, & 21 A revised Draft Specific Plan, goals policies and programs will be reviewed between March 24 - April 18. It looks as if the City Council will be reviewing this during July - August. Follow the progress by visiting the city website www.ci.lafayette.ca.us.

Sponsorships for the 2011 Art & Wine Festival

Sponsorships and space for the 2011 Art & Wine Festival are going quickly this year. REALLY! Don't be left outside the footprint. September 17 & 18 mark our 16th year bringing as many as 100,000 people to downtown Lafayette. Call Karen Rose for details at 284-7404.

Lafayette School Parcel Tax Voters will be asked to support Measure B this coming May. The Parcel Tax will be for four-years /\$176 per parcel per year. This is a special election - mail in tax. For information please visit www.lafsd.k12.ca.us

Fix our Roads The Roads committee is taking another stab at finding funding to support the repair and replacement of Lafayette's failed roads. The City Council is willing to take \$3,000,000 out of their reserve budget.

In order for the plan to work, it will also be necessary to also support a parcel tax of \$97 over the next 10 years. Next stop for the volunteers will be to arrange for as many supporters as possible to sign a petition to include this on the November ballot.

**FEBRUARY MIXER
Wells Fargo Bank**



Wells Fargo staff members celebrated with customers and the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce at our February mixer. Guests were treated to a lovely assortment of tasty appetizers and were given special gift bags as they left the event. Thanks to all the businesses that donated items for the raffle: Wells Fargo Bank, Mike Wilson of State Farm Insurance, Anderson Movers, Town Hall Theatre, Sonia's Beauty & Body Salon, Clocks Etc., and Hunsucker, Goodstein & Nelson PC.

**FEBRUARY
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Design & Interiors



Marcy Puccetti and her design team celebrated with friends and the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce at their new location at 3590 Mt. Diablo Blvd. The showroom's atmosphere was stunning as guests delighted in the scrumptious treats and viewed the beautiful furnishings. Check out their website www.designandinteriors.com.

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - Camp Kesem

Mission: To provide kids whose parents have or have had cancer with a summer camp experience that gives them a chance to be kids.

To allow college students to channel their passion for making a difference, while developing critical leadership skills for long term social impact.

Need: Camp Kesem serves the special emotional needs of children of adult cancer patients. Often overlooked and with few or no support services available to them, these kids often suffer alone with fear and loss which impacts their self-esteem, creates depression, academic and social challenges.

Location: Camp Kesem is a national organization based in Lafayette, with programs at 24 top universities in 14 states and Washington DC. Camp Kesem is volunteer driven by teams of college students who create every aspect of their FREE summer camp while gaining real world leadership and philanthropic skills defining their post graduate education and careers.

Milestone: 2010 Camp Kesem's 10th Anniversary and doubling the number of children who attended Camp Kesem in three years.

Measures of success: Camp Kesem campers growing into college students and volunteering to create Camp Kesem for the next generation of children coping with their parent's illness or death from cancer.

Toughest challenge: Raising national awareness, funding growth to new communities.

Greatest inspiration: Our campers, like Kaitlin (age 11), who learned at Camp Kesem that it wasn't her fault her mother died from cancer; our student volunteers and their passion for helping others.

Website: www.campkesem.org **Contact:** Sarah Blumenfeld, Development Director: sarah@campkesem.org (925)788-1580

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Dawn King provides full-charge, off-site bookkeeping services for small businesses, non-profits and individuals. A certified QuickBooks ProAdvisor, she has 20 years of experience working hand-in-hand with entrepreneurs to keep their books in top shape and give them the information they need to successfully run their business.

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As a personal financial advisor Greg works with small businesses and families to help define and prioritize their financial goals, and create the most efficient plan to reach their objectives. Greg feels financial planning is about focusing on what's important to you, not about chasing financial trends and fads.

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Design and Interiors is proud to announce the opening of their new location at 3590 Mount Diablo Boulevard in charming downtown Lafayette. Design and Interiors' new showroom brings an exciting addition to this already growing design and decorating hub. The large and well executed showroom allows the client to visualize the pieces to how they may look in their own homes. Vignettes showcase a variety of the latest styles, from traditional to contemporary. Custom pieces and European imports are also showcased.

ONLINE COMMUNITY AND RESOURCE GUIDE

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LamorindaWeb just launched and is the premier, local resource and social networking site for the Lamorinda area. The mission of the site is to promote

Lamorinda Web continued...

local businesses and organizations through different channels on the website, event promotion and by offering full-service marketing solutions, particularly for small and medium-sized businesses.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
March		1 Executive Committee Meeting 8am, Chamber	2	3	4	5
		6	7	8 Shop Lafayette Committee 12:30pm, Chamber	9 MIXER Better Homes & Gardens Mason McDuffie 5:30pm 999 Oak Hill Rd.	10
13	14 Chamber Board 12pm, LPH&S	15	16	17 <small>LAFAYETTE CHAMBER'S</small> Entrepreneur's Club <small>An Alliance of Independent Business Professionals</small> 8:30am, Chamber	18	19
20	21	22 Green Committee 12 noon Chamber	23	24 RIBBON CUTTING Posh Boutique 5pm 3416 Mt. Diablo Blvd.	Friday, March 25 Bus. Issues/ Govt. Affairs Meeting 8am, Chamber Citizen of the Year Dinner 6pm, LPH&S	
27	28	29	30	31	April	
3	4	5 Executive Committee Meeting 8am, Chamber	6	7		
10	11 Chamber Board 12pm, LPH&S	12 Shop Lafayette Committee 12:30pm, Chamber	13 MIXER Lafayette Physical Therapy 5:30pm 3468 Mt. Diablo Blvd.	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Social Networking Workshop 8am, Lafayette Library and Learning Center.	21 <small>LAFAYETTE CHAMBER'S</small> Entrepreneur's Club <small>An Alliance of Independent Business Professionals</small> 8:30am, Chamber	Friday, April 22 Bus. Issues/ Govt. Affairs Meeting 8am, Chamber Office Closes at Noon	
24	25	26 Green Committee 12 noon Chamber	27	28	29	30