

THE DANA GREEN TEAM PROUDLY PRESENTS...

974 JANET LANE, LAFAYETTE



Nestled on .42±AC, this updated 3BR/2BA features an open/spacious great room, formal dining space & fantastic chef's kitchen. The exterior offers level lawn, flagstone patio & fire pit area. Close to Hwy 24 & 680, BART, trail, town & top-rated schools.
www.974JanetLane.com
Offered at \$825,000

639 LOS PALOS DRIVE, LAFAYETTE



Storybook home located in the heart of Burton Valley! Updated 4BR/2BA, 2393± sq. ft. traditional including an additional 279± sq. ft. bonus room. .51±AC park-like setting with level lawns & mature landscape. Close to top-rated schools, trail & swim clubs!
www.639LosPalos.com
Offered at \$1,250,000



DANA GREEN
Lic. #01482454



SARAH KELLAR
Lic. #01805955

(925) 339-1918

WWW.DANAGREENTEAM.COM



#1 Agent in Lafayette & Contra Costa County



VIEW OUR LAFAYETTE NEIGHBORHOOD VIDEOS AT WWW.DANAGREENTEAM.COM



Lafayette

Civic News

Public Meetings

City Council

Monday, April 9, 7:00 pm
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd

Planning Commission

Monday, April 2, 7:00 pm
Lafayette Library & Learning Center,
Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd

Design Review

Monday, April 9, 7:00 pm
Lafayette Library & Learning Center
in the Arts & Science Discovery
Center at 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

School Board Meetings

Acalanes Union High School District
Wednesday, April 18, 7:30 pm
Board Room AUHSD Office
1212 Pleasant Hill Rd, Lafayette
www.acalanes.k12.ca.us

Lafayette School District

Wednesday, April 11, 6:00 pm
Special Meeting Strategic Planning
Wednesday, April 11, 7:30 pm
Regular Board Meeting
LAFSD Office
3477 School Street, Lafayette
www.lafsd.k12.ca.us

Check online for agendas, meeting notes and announcements

City of Lafayette:

www.ci.lafayette.ca.us
Phone: (925) 284-1968

Chamber of Commerce:

www.lafayettechamber.org

Police Report



Parking (un)fine, 3/12/2012 The victim reported leaving a bike unlocked for 40 minutes, only to find it gone upon return. Although it was considered a petty theft occurrence, the bike owner is out over \$400. That works out to \$10 a minute of "parking" time.

Face(plate) the music, 3/17/2012 A thief who broke into a vehicle ransacked the car and stole a stereo faceplate without permission, causing \$200 in damages. That is not music to any owner's ears.

Unsafe at this speed, 3/14/2012 Two vehicles travelling at an "unsafe speed for roadway conditions" ended up colliding. One person involved in the accident was transported to the hospital after complaining of pain.

Two days later...3/16/2012 A car and pedestrian collided. The pedestrian took a few licks on his knee, and was transported for medical help.

Thou Shalt Not Trespass, 3/12/2012 A 62-year-old male was arrested for trespassing and resisting arrest in the 900 block of Moraga Road. He was arrested and transported to the main detention facility.

Lafayette's First Birthday Poster Boy – Marechal Duncan

By Cathy Tyson



Marechal Duncan Photo John Otto

It's not every day that your picture can be seen cruising all over town. Lafayette's Marechal Duncan recently received noteworthy birthday presents to recognize a lifetime of contributions from friends and family: his mug is prominently displayed on the Spirit Van, a shuttle service for seniors, and he was honored by a special proclamation from the Mayor and the City Council. Both the birthday and the recipient are extraordinary – Marechal (pronounced Marshall) Duncan celebrated 90 years on St. Patrick's Day – March 17, 2012.

"Marechal is a dear man, very committed to the well-being of seniors in Lamorinda. It was a pleasure to participate in honoring him by putting a 'Happy 90th, Marechal Duncan! From All Our Hearts, For All You've Done!' banner on the Lamorinda Spirit Van," said Mary Bruns, Lamorinda Senior Transportation Coordinator. "Marechal serves as Co-Chairperson for the Lafayette Community Foundation Liaison Committee for Seniors which sponsors

the annual Lafayette Senior Symposium. Marechal's dream is to pull together local organizations that serve seniors to collaborate, share information, and provide the resources to allow seniors to age in their own homes."

With a twinkle in his blue eyes, this retiree was recently recognized at a City Council meeting with a proclamation honoring his active involvement in the community for more than 50 years. He's been busy fellow, starting out when his four kids were little serving as a Boy Scout leader for 20 years and an LMYA basketball coach. He also volunteered to be the Co-chair of the Lafayette Sesquicentennial Celebration in 1998. And there's more - he's an active member of the Lafayette Historical Society and is currently the Vice President, he also just received a certificate as a "senior" member, someone over 90, of SIRS – Sons in Retirement, and was a charter member of the Lamorinda Toastmasters Club.

"He's very modest, which is why I hope we will celebrate him as a community. He has been a passionate advocate for seniors, which is why we got a campaign to fund the first ever

'advertising' banners on the Lamorinda Spirit Van to announce and acknowledge his contributions," said Kathy Merchant, Executive Director of the Lafayette Library and Learning Center Foundation.

Born in Quincy, Massachusetts in 1922, Duncan quips, "I didn't like the weather there, and at seventeen months old, suggested to my parents that we move the family to San Diego." He's been on the west coast, for the most part, ever since - spending his last 57 years at a lovely home in the Silver Springs neighborhood. He and wife Doris were one of the first families to move into the neighborhood, purchasing their lot and the recently constructed home for \$28,000, "a little bit cheaper then," said Duncan.

He joined the Navy in 1940, before World War II and served for just shy of six years. In a stroke of good luck, he was based in San Diego and assigned to be a mine sweeper at Pearl Harbor, but hadn't yet shipped out to the Hawaiian base when the infamous attack occurred.

Upon his return to the states he earned a bachelor of science degree from UC Berkeley and a few years

later got a master's at Pepperdine University. Duncan worked as the western area sales manager for Motorola, "I introduced radio paging to the west coast," a new concept back in the day.

The happy couple raised their four children and have become an integral part of the fabric of Lafayette. Now they have seven grandchildren, and are still active in a number of capacities around town and show no sign of slowing down. "Keep busy" is their motto, and they live up to it. Duncan regularly plays nine holes of golf, ditching a golf cart in favor of walking with his golf clubs, and his lovely wife Doris, also 90 this year, participates in bridge and supports sorority and panhellenic organizations. Both are an inspiration and great assets to the community and thanks to good health and good genes, epitomize the concept of gracefully aging in place.

Future birthday, anniversary or graduation banner greetings are available for the non-profit Lamorinda Spirit Van. Call Mary Bruns for more information at (925) 284-5546.



Photo Cathy Tyson

Eric Christensen, Lafayette's New Sheriff



Lt. Eric Christensen Photo provided

There's a new Sheriff in town, starting tomorrow, March 29. Lt. Eric Christensen of the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office will serve as the next Chief, taking the helm after Mike Hubbard retires.

With the Sheriff's Office since 1991, Christensen has over twenty years of law enforcement experience to bring to the mean streets of Lafayette. Armed with a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice Administration, and having spent three years in the Army, along with stints as a Patrol Deputy and Detective for the San Ramon Police Department, a Supervising Sergeant

for Oakley's Police Department and having managed the Emergency Services Support Unit, he's well prepared to oversee Lafayette's Police Department.

"With his extensive background in local law enforcement in suburban communities, Lt. Christensen is well-qualified to serve Lafayette," said City Manager Steven Falk. "Given our potential for catastrophic wildland fires, mudslides, earthquakes, and flooding, Christensen's experience in the Emergency Services Support Unit should be valuable to the community." C. Tyson

Town Center Project

(Information provided by Christine Sinnette)

Scaffolding and balloons will go up at the site of the Lafayette Town Center Phase III condominium project on Friday, March 30, representing the height and mass of the proposed building. The location is the private parking lot behind Panda Express, next to the Town Center Apartments, 3595 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Curious residents will have a week to view the display, which will be dismantled on April 6. The lot's regular parkers will be displaced for the week.

SOAR LIKE A HAWK

Experience new interactive exhibits, behind-the-scenes programs and live wild animals!
Visit Wednesday-Friday noon-5pm and weekends 10am-5pm.
Go to www.wildlife-museum.org to learn more.

Lindsay Wildlife Museum
1931 FIRST AVENUE | WALNUT CREEK | 925-935-1978

Experience & Results Count!

Patricia Battersby
925-330-6663
pb@patriciabattersby.com
DRE# 00854469

Ashley Battersby
925-323-9955
ashley@patriciabattersby.com
DRE# 01407784

www.patriciabattersby.com