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Lamorinda sent nine teams to the post-season for boys' and girls' soccer and basketball. The NCS playoffs had its share of highlights, disappointments, and rivalry matches. Campolindo soccer had a great run. The boys reached the NCS championship match and the girls reached the semi-finals. Midway through the basketball brackets, Miramonte and Campolindo girls' will play for a third time tonight in Orinda at 7 p.m. for a chance to advance to the semifinals.

Campo Reaches NCS Soccer Finals Acalanes win streak broken By Marissa Harnett

pected path. Undefeated in the regular season and Feb. 23. the clear favorite, top-seeded Acalanes was upset in round two

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he quest for the 2012 boys' North Coast Section Di- inda rival, No. 3 Campolindo, battled to the finals where its final coming into this year (our players and coaches included) vision II soccer championship title took an unex- journey ended in a 1-0 loss to No. 4 Concord High School

Campo's run to the NCS finals was guite an accomplishby No. 8 St. Mary's College High School. The Dons' Lamor- ment. "I don't think anyone would have picked us to reach the matched game.

because of the talent we lost to graduation from last year's team," said head coach Shane Carney.

In the final match, Concord defeated Campo in an evenly ... continued on page A8

Quote of the Week: "The biggest frustration

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that I see in this country is that we have so many resources, but so many barriers." Read Keeping Them Smiling, page B7

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Tri-City Meeting Features Fire Stations

Councils also discuss bundling infrastructure projects

By Sophie Braccini

ing a follow-up later this year," said Lafayette's Mayor Mike Anderson at the end of the tri-city meeting Feb. 22. The traditional annual meeting, once a forum for the three Lamorinda city/town councils to present their achievements, turned into a real tri-city work session at which two main topics were actively debated: The consolidation of two fire stations in separate fire dis- encouragement to offer the two chiefs; Anderson tricts; and bundling public works projects to save public money.

Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Chief Daryl Louder and Moraga-Orinda Fire and paramedic response time," noted Mayor District Chief Randall Bradley gave a joint presentation of their plan to combine ConFire station 16 in Lafayette with MOFD station 43 in Orinda. in support of the idea, although they indicated that Their rationale -the two stations are only about the issue should be further studied. But Gordon roadwork campaign.

his was the heftiest meeting we've 1.5 miles apart, both are under-utilized in terms had- maybe we should consider hav- of average number of calls and houses served, and both agencies are scrambling for money. Station 16, known as the Los Arabis station, was recently closed by the county and station 43 is scheduled to undergo major renovations. Both see synergy and savings in a plan that's now in a study phase.

> The Lafayette City Council had nothing but called the project a "perfect storm." The Orinda City Council was a bit more reluctant. "MOFD was created because we wanted to improve fire Amy Worth.

Most members of the public who spoke were

Nathan retold the story of how Moraga and Orinda became a joint fire district. "It was not good timing for Lafayette to secede from ConFire then," said Nathan, "but it may be now." Mayor Dave Trotter of Moraga said he thought folding Lafayette into MOFD was an idea worth considering.

When the councils turned their attention to public works, Contra Costa Transportation Agency Deputy Executive Director Ross Chittenden took the stand to present the benefits Lamorinda could expect if the communities bundle their infrastructure projects and bid them together. Chittenden said recent studies show that the economy of scale results in a 10 percent savings for cities. "This is about stretching our dollars," said Worth. The three cities agreed they should work together on their summer of 2014

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Home on the Range

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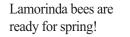
Our team recaps NCS soccer and basketball action.

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