



THE LETTER

LAFAYETTE ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS, INC. NEWSLETTER

Calendar

Thursday, Feb. 16, 2017

Board Meeting

7pm

2nd floor mezzanine

REMINDER: Meeting minutes may be viewed at the office or are available for download on our website thelafayettelb.org.

Newsletter Team

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The Lafayette Letter is published periodically from the office of the Lafayette Association of Homeowners. If you would like to contribute to the Letter, please contact Geronimo at 562-435-4775 or email gpolaroid@mac.com.

From the Manager

By Sharon Hays, Manager

Annual meeting:

The annual meeting took place in January. Homeowners Frank Flores, Regina Hopf and David Phinney were elected to the Board. They will join continuing



Board members Joe Kross and Regina Mathews.

No butts again: As a reminder, please do not throw burning cigarette butts out of the windows onto any of the rooftops. They damage the roof and clog the drains. If you see someone throwing butts out of the window, please let the office know. Offenders will be fined.

In memoriam: We regret to inform residents that longtime homeowner Greg Bayer passed away last December. His sons Greg, Christian and Andrew are organizing a memorial for him at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Seal Beach on Wed., Feb. 22, 2017 at 11am. All Lafayette residents are invited to attend. He will be missed. ✍



The Lafayette Remembered

By Louise Diefenbach

My name is Louise Diefenbach and I am one of the residents that have lived here for 30 years or more. My husband, now deceased, bought our Campbell building unit in 1987.

One hot August night in 1994, the old Fender Ballroom, located on the corner of First Street and Linden Avenue burned down. It was both a parking garage and ballroom, two stories and used to be part of the Lafayette Hotel. Then it became a dirty, rundown and troublesome music venue before the fire. It stood where the Best Western hotel is today. I remember seeing the smoke and the flames from my kitchen window. The fire started at 6pm and continued all night.

I went to bed and woke up at 8am and the firemen were still there. The roof was gone and smoke from the rubble hung in the air. The walls looked like charcoal...heaps and heaps of charcoal. The grey apartment building by the alley, the Gatsby, appeared blackened along one side.

The noisy, troublesome rock-and-roll ballroom was gone. The multi storied Best Western hotel was built at the site in 2006 and I lost my view of out of my windows. ✍

New Residents

Welcome to the Lafayette!

Unit 281 - Mitchell Sorkin/Stress Cube (office)

Unit 303 - Erin Levin

Unit 306 - Karina Nascimento & Alex Sandoval

Unit 315/317 - Nikolas Fink & Kim Quilton

Unit 506 - Joshua Haskal

Unit 540 - Peter Lamons

Unit 756 - Rachel Martinez

Unit 857/861 - Chris Reeser

Unit 954 - Jeanette Bedenbaugh

Unit 1055 - Adam Rohloff

Who's Who at the Lafayette

2017 Board of Directors

Frank Flores, Regina Hopf, Joe Kross, Regina Mathews and David Phinney

Contact the Board

In writing: Drop off a correspondence at the office. All written comments will be addressed in a timely manner. Or you may email them through the office at sharon@thelafayettelb.org.

In person: Come to the board meetings in the mezzanine (2nd floor main lobby).

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