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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR &  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Deanna J. Santana

**SUBJECT:** City Administrator's Weekly Report

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### INFORMATION

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

***Weekend Protests Peaceful*** – On Friday, July 19, the Oakland Police Department (OPD) prepared for a second weekend of assemblies and marches in response to the Zimmerman verdict. Interim Chief Sean Whent called for increased staffing, regular days off were cancelled for sworn members and many civilian staff members worked Friday, Saturday and Sunday to ensure that OPD could respond appropriately to protests and marches. No incidents were reported. The City of Oakland is committed to supporting peaceful assembly and freedom of speech, but will not tolerate acts of violence. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at [hjoshi@oaklandnet.com](mailto:hjoshi@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3131.

***Register Your Block Party for National Night Out*** – Monday, July 29, is the deadline for hosts to register their block parties for National Night Out to be held on Tuesday, August 6. As of Tuesday, July 23, there were 511 parties block parties registered and this year's goal is 625, up from 600 last year. Party hosts who register with the City are eligible for visits by City staff and will receive a small gift. All Neighborhood Watch groups and other neighborhood groups are encouraged to host a party on their block. National Night Out is America's block party night, an opportunity for residents to organize a barbeque, ice cream social or other event to both strengthen neighborhood spirit and unity while raising crime prevention awareness. Stronger relationships within neighborhoods result in improved communication and better resource and information sharing. And that sends a message to criminals, letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and working together. Neighbor-to-neighbor cooperation increases crime prevention awareness and improves public safety. To register your block party, please visit <http://www2oaklandnet.com/nno> or call (510) 238-3091. For more information, please contact Felicia Verdin, Community Programs Supervisor, at [fverdin@oaklandnet.com](mailto:fverdin@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3128.

***Area-Specific Crime Stats Posted to OPD Website*** – On Monday, July 22, the Oakland Police Department (OPD) updated the web pages for the five Bureau of Field Operations Areas by adding area-specific crime stats. A citywide weekly crime report, available on the Crime Statistics page, has been available since the website was created. The new crime stat pages are

tailored to each Area, making information on local crime conditions easily available to neighborhood residents. The five Area webpages are accessible through the Bureau of Field Operations page at <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Government/o/OPD/o/BFO/index.htm>. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at [hjoshi@oaklandnet.com](mailto:hjoshi@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3131.

**Art + Soul Oakland Festival** – On Saturday, August 3 and Sunday, August 4, the 13th Annual Art + Soul Oakland Festival returns to downtown Oakland. The festival that launched downtown Oakland's transformation into the Bay Area's hottest dining and arts scene, Art + Soul will sizzle this year with two art- and music-packed days featuring live jazz, rock, indie, punk, honky-tonk, gospel, metal, world, Latin, folk, R&B and blues music performed by national recording artists and top local talent. The musical line-up for Saturday includes Lisa Loeb, Tristan Prettyman, Los Rakas, The Rescues and Vintage Trouble. Oakland-based Amikaeyla and ConFunkShun join Soul/R&B powerhouse Leela James on Sunday, plus the Bay Area Blues Society's Caravan of All Stars, Oakland's own John Murry and the "Sunday Afternoon Gospel Hour" produced by Terrance Kelly and hosted by City Councilmember Lynette Gibson McElhaney. A Show & Tell Dance Party produced by Carla Service from Dance-A-Vision will showcase hot urban and world dance performances both days, plus provide dance instruction and present a public dance party. There will be hundreds of artisan booths; gourmet global cuisine and mobile food trucks; and for kids, carnival rides, music, art activities and costumed characters. For more information, please visit [www.artandsouloakland.com](http://www.artandsouloakland.com) or (510) 444-CITY.

**City Seeks Citizen Input on Council Redistricting** – Monday, August 12, is the submission deadline for public generated Redistricting maps. All maps received by 5:00 p.m. that day will be included in the presentation at the four Redistricting Town Hall Meetings to be held in September. Maps received after the deadline will appear on the project's website, [www.oaklandnet.com/redistricting](http://www.oaklandnet.com/redistricting). The September meetings will enable the community to review the proposed maps and provide feedback and input. The Oakland City Charter mandates the review of City Council District boundaries every 10 years to equalize each district's population according to U.S. Census data. To view the reports, resolution and video of the Oakland City Council meeting on June 4 where the Council established the criteria to be used, please visit <http://bit.ly/103avDM>. To view a video of the Thursday, July 11 Redistricting Town Hall Meeting, please visit <http://bit.ly/1bJgNNE>. In addition to the participating at the upcoming Town Hall Meetings, there are additional opportunities for the public to provide input and feedback including:

- Using the interactive mapping software at <http://www.onlineredistricting.com/Oakland2/redist/>
- Emailing suggestions and comments to [strategicplanning@oaklandnet.com](mailto:strategicplanning@oaklandnet.com)
- Leaving a voice message on the redistricting hotline at (510) 238-3079
- Visiting the City's newly launched open data platform, <http://data.oaklandnet.com>, to explore and visualize population data
- Engaging in the discussion online at <http://www.EngageOakland.com>

The dates and locations for the remaining Redistricting Town Hall Meetings are:

- Thursday, September 5, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
César Chávez Education Center, 2825 International Boulevard  
Interpretation in Spanish will be provided.
- Saturday, September 7, 10:00 a.m. - noon  
Frick Middle School, 2845 64th Avenue
- Saturday, September 7, 2 - 4 p.m.  
Oakland Public Library, Main Library Auditorium, 125 14th Street  
Interpretation in Cantonese and Vietnamese will be provided.
- Sunday, September 8, 3 - 5 p.m.  
Claremont Middle School, 5750 College Avenue

Every meeting is open to all interested parties and members of the Oakland community regardless of the Council District of residency. To request interpretation services in languages other than English and select languages indicated, please contact Silvia San Miguel, at least five business days prior to the meeting date, at (510) 238-6448 or [ssanmiguel@oaklandnet.com](mailto:ssanmiguel@oaklandnet.com). All meeting locations are wheelchair accessible. To request a sign language interpreter or any other disability accommodation, please contact Devan Reiff at (510) 238-3550, TTY: (510) 238-3254 or [dreiff@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dreiff@oaklandnet.com) at least three business days in advance. Please refrain from wearing scented products to these meetings. In October, the City Council will begin holding public hearings to deliberate on the proposed redistricting maps that result from the summer's Town Hall Meetings. The Council is expected to make a final selection of the Council District boundaries in November. For more information on Oakland's redistricting process including a map of current Council Districts, relevant legislation, upcoming Council meeting dates and more, the public should visit [www.oaklandnet.com/redistricting](http://www.oaklandnet.com/redistricting). For more information, please contact Devan Reiff, AICP, Planner II, at [dreiff@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dreiff@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3550.

***LED Streetlight Conversion Continues*** – On Wednesday, July 24, a media event was held in West Oakland marking the progress of an ambitious conversion project that will replace 30,000 existing High Pressure Sodium (HPS) cobra head streetlights with Light Emitting Diode (LED) streetlights citywide. Replacement of the existing streetlight fixtures with the new LED fixtures provides a better quality of light that will enhance public safety and help reduce crime. In addition, the conversion project saves resources as the new LED technology is more energy efficient and the bulbs have a longer lifespan. Oakland is one of first municipalities to implement wide-scale LED conversion – only five percent of municipalities have converted, or are in the process of converting, to LED lights. The project began installation in June and to date has converted more than 3,110 streetlights in East Oakland. The LED Conversion Project provides many benefits to several different audiences, with the primary goal to support public safety with brighter and better lighting, with less glare and fewer 'dark spots' between poles. Significant energy savings results in lower power consumption and a healthier environment. LED streetlights require less maintenance and have a longer lifespan (15 years minimum). The light cast by the LED fixtures is truer than HPS lights, not just shades of grey. Project costs are estimated at \$14.8 million. An estimated \$2.9 million in incentive rebates from PG&E will help

fund the project. For more information, please contact, Kristine Shaff, Public Information Officer, at [kshaff@oaklandnet.com](mailto:kshaff@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-2966.

***Library, Museum, and Parks and Recreation Celebrate Oakland's Young Summer Readers with End of Summer Party*** – On Sunday, August 4, the Oakland Public Library's 2013 Summer Reading Program finishes up with the 9th annual Summer Reading Celebration at the Oakland Museum of California Gardens from noon to 4:00 p.m. The celebration links two fantastic summer events – the library's Summer Reading Program and the Oakland Museum of California's Free First Sundays – for a wonder-filled day of culture, entertainment, learning and fun. Entertainment and activities will include performances from Busy Bee Dogs, games and treats with Oakland Parks and Recreation, storytimes with Oakland librarians, hands-on arts & craft activities, face painting, a live art demonstration by children's illustrator Hanae Rivera, and much more. There will be a brief ceremony to honor all Summer Reading Program participants who succeed in reading eight hours or more this summer. Admission is free. For information, please contact Laurie Wilhalm, Children's Services Librarian, at [lwhilhalm@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:lwhilhalm@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-3848.

***OPR Hosts Open Houses During National Park and Recreation Month*** – Throughout July, the Office of Parks and Recreation (OPR) is celebrating National Park and Recreation Month by hosting more than 60 events that showcase its programs and services for youth and families. Since 1985, Americans from all walks of life have celebrated National Park and Recreation Month to promote the importance of parks and recreation in the United States. Open Houses are free to the public and offer fun and entertainment for the whole family. For the complete roster of events, please visit <http://www.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK040163>. For more information, please contact Michelle Doppelt, Recreation Supervisor, at [mdoppelt@oaklandnet.com](mailto:mdoppelt@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 482-7831. The following open houses will be held within the next week:

- **Saturday, July 27 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**, Fremont Pool, 4550 Foothill Boulevard. For more information, please contact Harith Aleem, Aquatics Director, at (510) 615-5838.
- **Sunday, July 28 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**, East Oakland Sports Complex & Ira Jinkins Recreation Center, 9175 Edes Avenue. For more information, please contact Donte Watson, Recreation Center Director, at (510) 615-5959.
- **Wednesday, July 31 from 1:00 - 8:00 p.m.**, Malonga Casquelourd Center for the Arts, 1428 Alice Street. For more information, please contact Karis Griffin, Cultural Arts Director, at (510) 597-5027.

***Chicago Steppin'*** – On Thursday, July 18, Chicago Steppin' classes began at the Ira Jinkins Recreation Center at 9175 Edes Avenue. The classes will be held from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. every Thursday through August. Participants will enjoy great music, dancing and conversation while learning the art of the "Chicago Step." For more information and to register, please contact Donte Watson, Recreation Center Director, at [dwatson@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dwatson@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 615-5959.

***Teen Eco Action Week*** – During the week of July 15 to 19, the East Bay Regional Park District and the City of Oakland's Office of Parks and Recreation hosted Teen Eco Action Week at parks throughout the Bay Area. During Teen Eco Action Week, 18 youth participated in service

projects, hiking, canoeing, tree trimming, trail clearing and much more. The youth participants will receive a \$100 stipend on July 31 at the closing celebration. For more information, please contact Renee Tucker, Recreation Specialist, at [rtucker@oaklandnet.com](mailto:rtucker@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 597-5081.

**Senior Day at the A's** – On Wednesday, July 31, the Oakland Athletics organization honors Oakland seniors with great accessible seats in the plaza infield section during the North Oakland Senior Center's annual "Senior Day at the A's." Join in the fun as the Oakland A's take on the Toronto Blue Jays. Seniors can ride to the game on the shuttle bus from the senior center at 5714 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way for only \$7. Seats are limited so please call (510) 597-5085 to check availability. For more information, please contact Mary Norton, Senior Center Director, at [mnorton@oaklandnet.com](mailto:mnorton@oaklandnet.com).

**North Oakland Senior Center Celebrates National Night Out** – On Tuesday, August 6, the North Oakland Senior Center, at 5714 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, will celebrate National Night Out from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. North Oakland neighbors are invited to enjoy an old-fashioned ice cream social on the patio. Please call (510) 597-5085 for details or to volunteer. For more information, contact Mary Norton, Senior Center Director, at [mnorton@oaklandnet.com](mailto:mnorton@oaklandnet.com).

**Donate Children's Books** – Through Friday, August 16, the Department of Human Services is holding a Book Drive for low-income children in the Oakland area. The book drive is part of the summer United We Serve: *Let's Read. Let's Move.* initiative implemented by the Corporation for National and Community Service and reflects President Obama's call to service. Please no encyclopedias, text books or library discards. The decorated collections bins may be found at:

- Federal Building, 1301 Clay Street
- State Building, 1515 Clay Street
- City of Oakland buildings at 1, 150 and 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza
- Oakland City Center buildings at 555 12th Street, 1111 Broadway and 500 12th Street
- Citibank, 1333 Broadway Street
- University of California Office of the President, 1111 Franklin Street

For more information, please contact Liz Hillen, Senior Services Program Assistant, at [lhillen@oaklandnet.com](mailto:lhillen@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3620.

**Library Offers Free Music Downloads and Streaming** – On Wednesday, July 24, the Oakland Public Library (OPL) began to offer patrons the ability to download and stream popular music for free, through a service called Freegal Music. Freegal gives you access to millions of songs from over 10,000 labels in MP3 format. To access the free service, you need a valid OPL library card. To check out the free service, please visit the OPL website at [www.oaklandlibrary.org](http://www.oaklandlibrary.org) or go directly to Freegal's site at <https://oaklandlibrary.freegalmusic.com/users/idlogin>. For information, please contact Jamie Turbak, Acting Associate Library Director, at [jturbak@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:jturbak@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-6610.

**New Oakland Youth Poet Laureate to be Named August 2** – On Friday, August 2, the City of Oakland will announce the winner of its second Youth Poet Laureate competition in a public

ceremony slated to begin at 6:30 p.m. at I-SEEED, 1625 Clay Street, Suite 600. Oakland Indie Award Winner Jazz Monique Hudson will be the master of ceremonies. The ceremony is the culmination of a yearlong program organized by the Oakland Public Library in partnership with Youth Speaks and more than a dozen community partners. All eight finalists in the contest will perform before this year's winner is announced in front of City officials and Oakland's preeminent artists, educators, scholars and culture shapers. Join us to celebrate these shining young voices and to welcome our city's new Youth Poet Laureate. For information, please contact Amy Sonnie, Teen Outreach Librarian, at [asonnie@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:asonnie@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7233.

**Visit Oakland Announces "Faces of Oakland" Photo Competition** – On Thursday, July 25, Visit Oakland, the official destination marketing organization for Oakland, began accepting submissions for its annual photo competition. This year's contest will focus on "Faces of Oakland," emphasizing Oakland's diverse community and neighborhoods. For this contest, Visit Oakland is looking for images that best portray Oakland as an attractive visitor destination. Given this year's focus on photos of people, Visit Oakland is not accepting submissions of scenic shots, attractions or other related content. Images will be judged on originality, technical excellence, composition, overall impact and artistic merit. To enter, photographers should complete the following steps:

- Fill out an entry form, located at [www.visitoakland.org/photocontest](http://www.visitoakland.org/photocontest). Scan and e-mail the form to [intern@visitoakland.org](mailto:intern@visitoakland.org)
- Add a maximum of 10 photos to the Visit Oakland Flickr Group at [www.flickr.com/groups/visitoakland](http://www.flickr.com/groups/visitoakland)
- Tag your photos – FacesOfOakland2013 (all one word)
- Email the following to [intern@visitoakland.org](mailto:intern@visitoakland.org) links to 10 photos entered, your entry form and any model releases
- Submit their entry by August 20, 2013

Winners of the "Faces of Oakland" photo contest will be rewarded with topnotch Oakland experiences. Prizes include a \$500 cash prize, an overnight stay and breakfast for two at the Claremont Hotel Club & Spa, a round of golf at Lake Chabot Golf Club, a complimentary tasting for four at Cerruti Cellars and other additional prizes. For additional information, guidelines and entry forms, please visit [www.visitoakland.org/photocontest](http://www.visitoakland.org/photocontest) or contact Visit Oakland at [intern@visitoakland.org](mailto:intern@visitoakland.org).

**Upcoming City of Oakland Job Announcement** – During the week of July 29, the Department of Human Resources Management (DHRM) anticipates posting job announcements for the following positions:

- Program Analyst II – Selective Certification for Workforce Development
- Project Manager II – Selective Certification for Watershed & Water Quality Management

For updated information on City jobs, please visit the DHRM website at <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/oaklandca/default.cfm>. This Employment Information page

also contains information on minimum qualifications of specific job classifications, how to apply for a job on-line and how to submit a job interest card for positions not currently posted. For more information, please contact the Department of Human Resources Management Receptionist at (510) 238-3112.

### **Information Memorandums:**

The following Information Memorandum was released in the last week.

***State Review Panel Decision on WIA Funding RFP Complaint Appeal*** – This information memorandum provides an update on the status of the RFP complaint appeal filed on March 21 with the State Employment Development Department's Compliance Review Office against the City's FY 2013-15 RFP process for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funded services.  
<http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK042064>

### **Upcoming Meetings and Events:**

***Mexica Dance*** – Every Monday, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Peralta Hacienda Center for History and Community, 2488 Coolidge Avenue. Discover Mexica culture during ceremony and dance classes open to the public. For more information, please visit [www.peraltahacienda.org](http://www.peraltahacienda.org).

***Oakland Symphony Chorus Summer Sing-Ins*** – Tuesdays through August 13, 7:00 - 9:30 p.m., St. Paschal Baylon Church, 3700 Dorisa Avenue. Sing along with the chorus. July 30-Broadway Melodies, August 6-Bach Mass in b Minor and August 13-Bach Magnificat. Free refreshments. For more information, please visit [www.oaklandsymphonychorus.org](http://www.oaklandsymphonychorus.org) or (510) 207-4093.

***Basketball Clinic*** – Tuesdays and Thursdays through August 15, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m., Ira Jinkins Recreation Center, 9175 Edes Avenue. The basketball clinic is for youth, ages 7 to 16. For more information, please contact Donte Watson, Recreation Center Director, at [dwatson@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dwatson@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 615-5959.

***English Classes in Peralta Hacienda Park*** – Tuesdays to Fridays through August 16, Peralta Hacienda Park, 2465 34th Avenue. The two-hour classes are open to adults. Everyone welcome. Childcare will be available at a nominal fee. For more information, please call (510) 532-9142.

***Guided Walking Tours*** – Every Wednesday and Saturday through October 30, 10:00 a.m., Various Starting Points. The semiweekly guided tours showcase the city's changing skyline, landmarks, churches and high-rises. There are eight different tour itineraries. The tour brochure, itinerary descriptions, dates and starting locations are available at [www.oaklandnet.com/walkingtours](http://www.oaklandnet.com/walkingtours). Reservations are recommended and may be made by leaving a message on the Tours' 24-hour hotline at (510) 238-3234 or via email to [aallen@oaklandnet.com](mailto:aallen@oaklandnet.com).

***Mural Workshop*** – Thursdays, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m., 81st Avenue Branch Library, 1021 81st Avenue. Join acclaimed muralist Lisa Nowlain in creating a mural for the branch's TeenZone. For more information, please call (510) 615-5812.

***Art Program for Teens Kicks Off at César Chávez Branch Library*** – Thursdays through August 1, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m., César Chávez Branch Library, 3301 East 12th Street, Suite 271. Artist Marcela Florez Rodriguez and poet Kristin Palm will lead teens in a program called *Observatory: Oakland* with an emphasis on gaining greater familiarity and understanding of the surrounding environment through close observation, drawing and note-taking. Teens will explore ideas inspired by the places that matter most to them. No art experience necessary. For information, please contact Pete Villaseñor, Branch Manager, at [pvillaseñor@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:pvillaseñor@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 535-5620.

***“Growing Readers”*** – Thursdays through August 8, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m., Main Library Children's Room, 125 14th Street. This program introduces urban farming and container gardening to young library patrons, thanks to a generous grant from the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA). Children will work with staff from OPL's partner agency, Acta Non Verba, in the garden, do a fun activity and learn about topics such as “Good Bug or Bad Bug?” and “Where Does Food Come From?” For more information, please contact Helen Bloch, Librarian II, at [hbloch@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:hbloch@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-3615.

***First Thursday Art Walk*** – Every First Thursday of the Month, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Grand Avenue from LakePark to Piedmont border. The Grand Avenue Business District hosts a monthly art event with special discounts from merchants and galleries. For more information, please visit <http://piedmont.patch.com/groups/events/p/ev--first-thursday-art-walk-down-grand-avenue>.

***Off the Grid: Lake Merritt at OMCA*** – Every Friday, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. The Bay Area's most talked-about food truck party comes to Oakland. Enjoy a family-friendly take on a festive night market on 10th Street with curbside cuisine. For more information, please visit [www.museumca.org](http://www.museumca.org) or call (510) 318-8400.

***Dancing Under the Stars*** – Fridays through Summer, 8:30 - 10:00 p.m., Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. The incredibly popular dancing event returns to Oakland's waterfront. Kick up your heels and enjoy a free dance lesson. Each week will feature a different type of dance followed by a dance party to practice what was learned. For more information, please call (510) 645-9292.

***Friday Summer Nights at the Park*** – Fridays through August 16, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Carter Gilmore Park, 1390 66th Avenue and Willie Wilkins Park, 1100 98th Avenue. The events, hosted by Oakland Unite Messengers4Change, will include free food and refreshments, games for all ages and raffles. The events foster community building as residents take a stand against violence. To see the event flyer, please visit <http://messengers4change.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Friday-Summer-Nights-2013.jpg>. For more information or to learn how to get involved, please contact Jennifer Argueta, Community Engagement Coordinator, at [jargueta@oaklandnet.com](mailto:jargueta@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-2056.

**Friday Nights Live** – Fridays through August 23, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Brockhurst Street between Market Street and San Pablo Avenue. The events will feature games for all ages, music, free food, arts & crafts, dancing and giveaways. Friday Nights Live is organized by the City of Oakland, County of Alameda, Councilmember Lynette Gibson McElhaney, the YMCA and many other community organizations and leaders. The goal of the program is to build community and prevent violence by offering a safe, enriching space for youth and families to utilize on Friday nights. To see the event flyer, please visit [http://messengers4change.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/FNL1\\_revised.jpg](http://messengers4change.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/FNL1_revised.jpg). For more information, please contact Dylan Hamilton, Community Building Coordinator, at [dhamilton@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dhamilton@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-2164.

**Bites Off Broadway** – Fridays through October 11, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., in front of Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Mobile food and family fun featuring affordable and delicious food from rotating trucks such as Fist of Flour, Tina Tamale, Taco Evangelist, Roderick's BBQ, Annakoot, Suzie Q's Lunch Box, Sanguchon, Go Streatery, Doc's of the Bay, Two Mammams Vegan Kitchen, Blue Saigon, Sunrise Deli and more. Lawn seating: bring a chair or a blanket plus your friends, family and neighbors. Hula-hooping, ping pong, live music and movies at dusk. For more information, please visit <http://www.bitesoffbroadway.com>.

**Free Summer Lunch Available for Youths at 11 Library Locations** – Through Friday, August 9, the Oakland Public Library is a proud participant in the Free Summer Lunch program, operated by the City of Oakland Department of Human Services, in partnership with the Alameda County Community Food Bank, to make free and nutritious meals available in dozens of locations in Oakland. As part of this program, lunch is being served at 11 library locations Tuesday to Friday and at the Main Library Monday to Friday. Lunch is available to children 18 years and younger at these branch libraries: 81st Avenue, César Chávez, Dimond, Eastmont, Elmhurst, Golden Gate, Martin Luther King Jr., Melrose, Temescal and West Oakland. At the Main Library, lunch will be served in the Bradley C. Walters Community Room (down the hall from the Children's Room) and in the TeenZone (on the 2nd floor). For more information, please contact Sharon McKellar, Community Relations Librarian, at [smckellar@Oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:smckellar@Oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-3513.

**Dinner, a Movie and the Universe** – Friday & Saturday evenings year-round, Various Times, Chabot Space and Science Center, 10000 Skyline Boulevard. The perfect date night experience is back by popular demand. Enjoy a full-course dinner in the Skyline Bistro, the live-narrated Planetarium show *Cosmos 360* and view the night sky through the telescopes (weather permitting). Reservations are not required, but strongly encouraged. For more information, please visit <http://www.chabotspace.org/dinner-movie-universe.htm>.

**Jack's Night Market** – First Friday of each month through September 6, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m., Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. A captivating evening filled with merriment and verve can be enjoyed every first Friday through September. Sample the eclectic mix of artisans, music, food and fun. For more information, please visit [www.jacklondonsquare.com](http://www.jacklondonsquare.com).

**Sewing with a Purpose** – First and third Fridays, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., Mosswood Recreation Center, 3612 Webster Street. Come revamp your favorite clothes, from jeans to shirts, in this fun and

exciting semimonthly class and learn basic sewing skills. For more information including class fees, please call (510) 597-5038.

***Second Fridays*** – Every second Friday, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m., Mosswood Recreation Center, 3612 Webster Street. Enjoy this monthly performing arts social. Engage and share in music, dance and poetry geared to those ages 16 and up. For more information, please call (510) 597-5038.

***New School Crafting*** – Every third Friday, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Mosswood Recreation Center, 3612 Webster Street. Patrons, ages 21 and up, can stop by and create arts & crafts in a fun and relaxing setting while enjoying appetizers and drinks. For more information including class fees, please call (510) 597-5038.

***Mindful Drumming for “Mishe” Happiness*** – Last Friday of the Month, 7:30 p.m., Attitudinal Healing Connection, 3278 West Street. Experience an once-in-a-lifetime drumming gathering for happiness for the entire family. Cultivate “mishe” happiness through mindfulness, synchronistic rhythms and community building. Mindful drumming offers an authentic path to happiness and unleashes the human potential. For more information, please visit [www.ahc-oakland.org](http://www.ahc-oakland.org) or call (510) 652-5530.

***Saturday Morning Bike Ride*** – Every Saturday year-round, 8:45 a.m., Warehouse416, 416 26th Street. Enjoy a flat, short ride designed to provide new or returning riders with a way of getting started. Guides adjust the ride based on participants' needs. Rain cancels ride. For more information, please contact Ron Scrivani at [scrivanir@aol.com](mailto:scrivanir@aol.com) or visit [www.warehouse416.com](http://www.warehouse416.com).

***Arts & Crafts*** – Saturdays, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m., Brookfield Branch Library, 9255 Edes Avenue. Come and join in the fun at Brookfield's Saturdays Arts & Crafts. Learn the basics of paper-crafting, clay modeling, beading and more. Expand your creativity, develop your small-motor skills and enjoy an afternoon of arts exploration. All ages are welcome to participate. For more information, please call (510) 615-5725.

***Outdoor Movie Night in Montclair*** – Third Saturdays of the Month through September 21, doors open at 6:30 p.m., movies begin at 7:00 p.m., Red Oak Realty, 6450 Moraga Avenue. All are welcome to bring lawn chairs and blankets to the parking lot for a free outdoor movie complete with popcorn and previews. For more information, please visit [www.montclairvillage.com](http://www.montclairvillage.com).

***Free Sunday Jazz at Golden Gate Branch Library*** – Sundays through August 25, 3:00 - 6:00 p.m., Golden Gate Branch Library, 5606 San Pablo Avenue. The Friends of Golden Gate Branch Library present their annual summer jazz series. Upcoming shows feature the following artists: July 28, pianist Glen Pearson; August 4, Yancie Taylor's Trio; August 11, Kenny Washington; August 18, Junius Courtney Big Band (at Temescal Creek Park); August 25, Rhonda Benin. The main act performs at 3:00 p.m., followed by Randy's Moore's "History of Jazz" discussion at 4:00 p.m. and an open jam session at 5:00 p.m. Please note that the concert on August 18 will be held at Temescal Creek Park, on 47th Street between Adeline and San Pablo. For information,

please contact Sandra Toscano, Golden Gate Branch Manager, at [stoscano@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:stoscano@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 597-5023.

***Annual Summer Reading Program*** – Through Saturday, August 10, Various Hours, Oakland Public Library locations. Separate reading programs are offered for kids, teens and adults. This year's theme is "Reading is Soooooo Delicious!" and the library's calendar will feature many food- and reading-related programs all summer long. The kids' program rewards young readers, ages 0 to 14, with raffle prizes, entertainment and fun activities. Teens, ages 12 to 18, can participate in the Teen Summer Passport Program, which encourages young people to read, participate in Library activities and explore Bay Area cultural sites. Adults can qualify to win raffle prizes by reading, sharing book reviews and by utilizing library services. For more information, please visit <http://www.oaklandlibrary.org>.

***Ira Jinkins Summer Full & Half Day Camp*** – Monday through Friday until August 23, Ira Jinkins Recreation Center, 9175 Edes Avenue. A traditional day camp for boys and girls, ages 5 to 12, will fill their summer vacation with exciting activities led by caring adults in a structured and safe environment. No advance registration is required for youth to participate in a wide variety of activities including crafts, sports, nature walks, sewing, swimming, golf, dance, movement classes, board games, field trips and indoor and outdoor group activities. All campers also receive a free lunch. The Full Day Camp runs from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Half Day Camp runs from noon to 5:00 p.m. Before/Aftercare is available at additional cost. Some scholarships are available for qualifying families. For more information, please contact Donte Watson, Recreation Center Director, at [dwatson@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dwatson@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 615-5959.

***"What I Hear, I Keep: Stories from Oakland's Griots"*** – Through Saturday, February 22, 2014, Wednesdays to Saturdays from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m., Peralta House Museum of History and Community, 2465 34th Avenue. A visual and audio art exhibit featuring the voices of African American Oaklanders who recorded the stories of their lives through the Griot Initiative of StoryCorps, a national nonprofit oral history project. Their voices emanate from a gigantic horse, designed and built by Walter Hood, an African American sculptor and landscape architect. For more information, please visit [www.peraltahacienda.org](http://www.peraltahacienda.org) or call (510) 532-9142.

***An Intimate Evening*** – Friday, July 26, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m., Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate, 2960 Peralta Oaks Court. "An Intimate Evening" is an all-white attire event that will include mansion tours, horse-drawn carriage rides, a silent auction, outdoor games, Gatsby-era cars and live entertainment by top local performers. Learn how to Salsa, Chicago Step or Line Dance or just stroll the sprawling estate lawns while sampling culinary delights from some of Oakland's top caterers and tasting wine. This event is a major fundraiser that supports youth scholarships enabling participation in OPR programs. For more information, please contact Robert Davilla, Administrative Manager, at [rdavilla@oaklandnet.com](mailto:rdavilla@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3926.

***Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk*** – Friday, July 26, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., Allen Temple Baptist Church, 8501 International Boulevard. The City of Oakland and local faith-based organizations are continuing neighborhood Night Walks on Fridays as a way community members can get involved in Operation Ceasefire. These walks are organized by residents and

faith leaders in areas where Ceasefire is focused. Volunteers are trained in advance and are accompanied by other volunteers for the duration of the walk. The purpose of the Night Walk is to reach out to communities affected by violence. For more information, please call (510) 639-1440 or email [fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com](mailto:fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com).

**5th Annual Pickin' on the Potomac Bluegrass Series** – Friday, July 26, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., USS Potomac, dockside at Water Street and Clay. Listen to foot-stompin' good sounds of Blue & Lonesome and enjoy tasty bar nibbles and beverages. For more information, please call (510) 627-1215.

**Fire Station Open House** – Saturday, July 27, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Fire Station 23, 7100 Foothill Boulevard. This event, a collaboration between the Oakland Fire Department, Wildfire Prevention Assessment District and other city partners, will focus on fire safety, education and resources for residents of the Oakland Hills. This is a great opportunity to tour the fire station. For more information, please call (510) 238-7255.

**Neighborhood Summer Fiesta** – Saturday, July 27, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Melrose/Fairfax neighborhood, intersection of Fairfax Avenue and Foothill Boulevard. Sponsored by the Melrose High Hopes NCPD, this free event is packed with fun, food and friendship. Enjoy a pie and cobbler championship cookoff; Kidz Only Zone with bounce houses, face painting, arts & crafts, clowns and kid-friendly performances; food from local restaurants and food trucks; and local artisans bazaar, art, music, entertainment and educational exhibits. For more information, please visit <http://2013summerfiesta.eventbrite.com/>.

**Urban Wine Experience** – Saturday, July 27, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., Pavilion Building, Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. More than 50 wines from 15 members of the East Bay Vintners Alliance will be showcased during this afternoon of wine tasting, delicious food options from local restaurants and live music. For more information, please visit [www.jacklondonsquare.com](http://www.jacklondonsquare.com).

**Author Shailja Patel Coming to Lakeview Branch Library** – Saturday, July 27, 2:00 p.m., Lakeview Branch Library, 550 El Embarcadero. Join Shailja Patel for a reading from her U.S. debut *Migritude*. Ms. Patel is an internationally acclaimed poet, playwright and activist who was born and raised in Kenya prior to moving to London, San Francisco and Berkeley. Part memoir, part political history, part performance tour-de-force, *Migritude* is based on the author's acclaimed one-woman show weaving together family history, reportage and monologues of violence, colonization and love to create an achingly beautiful portrait of women's lives and migrant journeys undertaken in the boot print of Empire. *CNN* called Shailja Patel "the people-centered face of globalization." For more information, please contact Mary Farrell, Lakeview Branch Manager, at [mfarrell@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:mfarrell@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7344.

**Laurel Outdoor Movie Series** – Saturday, July 27, 8:00 p.m., Ace Hardware Parking Lot, 4024 MacArthur Boulevard. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and warm clothes and enjoy a free screening of "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon." For more information, please visit [www.laureldistrictassociation.org](http://www.laureldistrictassociation.org).

**Wildfire Prevention Assessment District Meeting** – Monday, July 29, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., Highlands Country Club, 110 Hiller Drive. This public meeting about renewing Oakland's Wildfire Prevention Assessment District will include a presentation on the status of the current Wildfire Prevention Assessment District, key elements of the proposed ballot measure and how folks can help. For more information, please visit [www.keeпоaklandfiresafe.org](http://www.keeпоaklandfiresafe.org).

**Free Movie** – Wednesday, July 31, 1:00 p.m., Downtown Oakland Senior Center, 200 Grand Avenue. Enjoy a free indoor screening of "Argo." For more information, please contact Jennifer King, Senior Center Director, at [jking@oaklandnet.com](mailto:jking@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3284.

**Summer Lindy Hop Dance Party** – Wednesday, July 31, 9:00 p.m., Eastside Cultural Center, 2277 International Boulevard. Enjoy great Lindy Hop dancing with a DJ. For tickets, please visit [www.brownpapertickets.com/event/385034](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/385034). For more information, please call (510) 473-2928.

**Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk** – Friday, August 2, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., First Mt. Sinai, 1970 86th Avenue. The City of Oakland and local faith-based organizations are continuing neighborhood Night Walks on Fridays as a way community members can get involved in Operation Ceasefire. These walks are organized by residents and faith leaders in areas where Ceasefire is focused. Volunteers are trained in advance and are accompanied by other volunteers for the duration of the walk. The purpose of the Night Walk is to reach out to communities affected by violence. For more information, please call (510) 639-1440 or email [fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com](mailto:fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com).

**Movies in the Park** – Friday, August 2, Dusk, Redwood Heights Recreation Center, 3883 Aliso Avenue. The Movies in the Park series features a free screening of "The Lorax." For more information please contact Breht Clark, Recreation Center Director, at [bclark@oaklandnet.com](mailto:bclark@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 482-7827.

**Movies at Studio One** – Friday, August 2, 8:15 p.m., Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Enjoy a free screening of "Raiders of the Lost Ark." For more information, please call (510) 597-5027.

**Art + Soul Oakland Festival** – Saturday, August 3 and Sunday, August 4, Noon - 8:00 p.m. Sat., Noon - 6:00 p.m. Sun., Downtown Oakland, Frank H. Ogawa Plaza and surrounding streets. The festival that launched downtown Oakland's transformation into the Bay Area's hottest dining and arts scene, Art + Soul Oakland will sizzle this year with two art- and music-packed days featuring live jazz, rock, indie, punk, honky-tonk, gospel, metal, world, Latin, folk, R&B and blues music performed by national recording artists and top local talent. The musical line-up for Saturday includes Lisa Loeb, Tristan Prettyman, The Rescues and Vintage Trouble. Oakland-based Amikaeyla and ConFunkShun join Soul/R&B powerhouse Leela James on Sunday. There will be hundreds of artisan booths; gourmet global cuisine and mobile food trucks; and for kids, carnival rides, music, art activities and costumed characters. For more information, please visit [www.artandsouloakland.com](http://www.artandsouloakland.com) or (510) 444-CITY.

***Family Sundown Safari*** – Saturday, August 3 to Sunday August 4, 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 a.m., Oakland Zoo, 9777 Golf Links Road. Go on Safari in Oakland. Family Sundown Safari is a hands-on educational summer program for families with children ages 4 and up. Bring your tent and sleep out underneath the stars. Your family will never forget their incredibly fun and unique campout at the Oakland Zoo. Pre-Registration is required. For more info and to register, please visit [http://www.oaklandzoo.org/Family\\_Sundown\\_Safari.php](http://www.oaklandzoo.org/Family_Sundown_Safari.php).

***Free First Sunday*** – Sunday, August 4, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. Experience the museum's three galleries, including the newly opened Gallery of California Natural Sciences, for free. For more information, please visit [www.museumca.org](http://www.museumca.org).

***Fire Station Open House*** – Tuesday, August 6, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Fire Station 7, 1996 Amito Avenue. This event, a collaboration between the Oakland Fire Department, Wildfire Prevention Assessment District and other city partners, will focus on fire safety, education and resources for residents of the Oakland Hills. This is a great opportunity to tour the fire station. For more information, please call (510) 238-7255.

***Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk*** – Friday, August 9, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., Cosmopolitan Baptist Church, 988 85th Avenue. The City of Oakland and local faith-based organizations are continuing neighborhood Night Walks on Fridays as a way community members can get involved in Operation Ceasefire. These walks are organized by residents and faith leaders in areas where Ceasefire is focused. Volunteers are trained in advance and are accompanied by other volunteers for the duration of the walk. The purpose of the Night Walk is to reach out to communities affected by violence. For more information, please call (510) 639-1440 or email [fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com](mailto:fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com).

***A Chorus Line*** – Friday, August 9 through Sunday, August 18, 8:00 p.m., Woodminster Amphitheater, Joaquin Miller Park, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road. Enjoy this classic musical among the towering redwoods. For more information, please visit [www.woodminster.com](http://www.woodminster.com).

***14th Annual Laurel Street Fair*** - Saturday, August 10, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. MacArthur Boulevard between 35th and 38th avenues. Known as one of the biggest and best neighborhood events in the Bay Area, the Laurel Street Fair will feature an amazing music and dance stage, DJ booths, a huge kids' land, a Classic Car Cruise, creative crafts and merchandise, fashion shows, info booths and an impressive variety of food vendors. For more information, please visit [www.laureldistrictassociation.org](http://www.laureldistrictassociation.org).

***Oakland Dragon Boat Festival*** – Saturday, August 10 and Sunday, August 11, Various Start Times, Lake Merritt. This two-day event is presented by the Oakland Renegades in conjunction with Bay Area Dragons (BAD), Oakland Department of Parks and Recreation (OPR), and the Pacific Dragonboat Association (PDBA). This year's festival is the PDBA Regional Championship/CCWC Qualifier to determine who from this region will represent the U.S. at the 2014 IDBF Club Crew World Championships. For more information, please visit [www.oaklanddragonboatfestival.org](http://www.oaklanddragonboatfestival.org).

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***CORE I Training*** – Tuesday, August 13, 6:00 - 8:30 p.m., Children's Hospital Oakland, 744 52nd Street. CORE (Communities of Oakland Respond to Emergencies) provides free emergency preparedness training for individuals and neighborhood groups. CORE I teaches self-reliance skills. The program is free to anyone who lives or works in Oakland. For more information, please visit [www.oaklandcore.org](http://www.oaklandcore.org). To register, please email [classes:core@oaklandnet.com](mailto:classes:core@oaklandnet.com) or call (510) 238-6351.

***Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk*** – Friday, August 16, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., Allen Temple Baptist Church, 8501 International Boulevard. The City of Oakland and local faith-based organizations are continuing neighborhood Night Walks on Fridays as a way community members can get involved in Operation Ceasefire. These walks are organized by residents and faith leaders in areas where Ceasefire is focused. Volunteers are trained in advance and are accompanied by other volunteers for the duration of the walk. The purpose of the Night Walk is to reach out to communities affected by violence. For more information, please call (510) 639-1440 or email [fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com](mailto:fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com).

***Fire Station Open House*** – Saturday, August 17, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Fire Station 24, 5900 Shepherd Canyon Road. This event, a collaboration between the Oakland Fire Department, Wildfire Prevention Assessment District and other city partners, will focus on fire safety, education and resources for residents of the Oakland Hills. This is a great opportunity to tour the fire station. For more information, please call (510) 238-7255.

Respectfully submitted,

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