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MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR &
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Deanna J. Santana

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INFORMATION

Due to the legislative recess in August, the next edition of the City Administrator's Weekly Report will be published September 6, 2013.

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

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 and art activities. For more information, please visit www.artandsouloakland.com or (510) 444-CITY.

National Night Out – On Tuesday, August 6, thousands of residents throughout Oakland will celebrate National Night Out at 663 block parties planned citywide. The City's Neighborhood Services Division is happy to report that the numbers of registered parties exceeds this year's goal of 625 and last year's total of 600. Staff would like to thank all National Night Out block party hosts for registering and organizing parties on their block, at local recreation centers, senior centers and in church parking lots. Party hosts who registered are eligible for visits by City and County staff and will receive a small gift. National Night Out, America's Block Party Night, is an opportunity for residents to organize a barbecue, ice cream social or other outdoor 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. For event details, 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 or (510) 238-3128.

Housing and Community Development Department Commended for "Best Practices" – On Friday, July 19, 2013 the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Monitor commended the City of Oakland Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for 'Best Practices' in all areas of program administration. The City of Oakland's HCD was being monitored by HUD from July 16 through 19, 2013 for its administration of the HOME Investment Partnership Program. The City of Oakland receives approximately \$ 2 million in HOME funds annually for construction and rehabilitation of affordable housing developments. The City, through HCD, awards HOME funds to affordable housing developers under its annual Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) process. The HUD Monitor spent several days reviewing loan documentation, inspecting HOME-related policies and procedures, and examining asset monitoring compliance criteria. He also conducted site visits to five affordable housing developments to ensure that on-site project management staff is apprised by City staff of their administrative obligations under the HOME program. For more information, please contact Michele Byrd at mbyrd@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3714.

Cops & Kids Ice Cream Social – On Wednesday, July 31, deFremery Park was the location for the final "Cops & Kids Ice Cream Social." Community policing is at the core of many public safety strategies in Oakland. As the Oakland Police Department (OPD) continued rolling out the neighborhood policing model built from the consultation of Bill Bratton, a lighter side of this outreach included cops, Mayor Quan, kids, parks and ice cream. Three earlier "Cops and Kids Ice Cream Social" events were held giving kids throughout Oakland the opportunity to mingle with members of OPD and enjoy free ice cream cones and floats. Earlier locations and dates included the Merritt College Track on July 10, San Antonio Park on July 17 and Mosswood Park on July 24. The events were supported by a grant from the Oakland Police Foundation. For more information, please contact Valorie Winn, Recreation Center Director, at vwinn@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7739.

Burglary and Robbery Prevention Workshop – On Saturday, July 20, the Oakland Police Department (OPD) held a burglary and robbery prevention workshop for residents of Police Area 3 at Patton University. Captain Ricardo Orozco and Neighborhood Service Coordinators (NSCs) were in attendance. The focus of the workshop was to educate participants on personal safety and home security. This program will be provided in all five Police Areas as OPD continues its commitment to ensure personal safety and build community relationships. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at hjoshi@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3131.

An Intimate Evening – On Friday, July 26, the Office of Parks and Recreation (OPR) hosted "An Intimate Evening," a night of music, food and fun for Oaklanders and visitors alike held at the Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate. Hundreds of participants enjoyed live music, dancing,

food, silent auctions, mansion tours, horse and carriage rides, games and more. The biennial community fundraiser event honors champions in the community and brings awareness to OPR programs. For more information, please contact Deborah Cooper, Estate Manager, at dcooper@oaklandnet.com or (510) 615-5555.

Field Training Completed – On Saturday, July 27, graduates of the Oakland Police Department's 166th recruit academy class completed their 16 weeks of field training. The officers were assigned to community beats to build relationships within the community they will be serving. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at hjoshi@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3131.

Library Participating in Back-to-School Free Disney Book Giveaway – On Saturday, August 17, volunteers at eight locations of the Oakland Public Library (OPL) will distribute free books to children. The participating locations are: the Main Library Children's Room, 81st Avenue Branch, Brookfield Branch, Elmhurst Branch, Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch, Melrose Branch, Piedmont Avenue Branch and West Oakland Branch. Along with books, suggested reading lists prepared by OPL children's librarians will also be distributed. New library users are invited to register for a free library card. This event, which will run from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., is made possible through a partnership with the Oakland Unified School District. To learn about other back-to-school events, please visit www.ousd.k12.ca.us. For more information, please contact Sharon McKellar, Community Relations Librarian, at or smckellar@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3513.

OPD Part of "Operation Cross Country" – Last week, the Oakland Police Department (OPD) participated in "Operation Cross Country," a three-day national enforcement action that targeted child sex trafficking. The nationwide sweep was coordinated through the Innocence Lost National Initiative which is a partnership between the FBI, local law enforcement partners and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The operation focused on identifying victims, arresting criminal offenders and providing resources and education. OPD rescued two teens girls, ages 16 and 17, and made arrests in connection with human sex trafficking and child exploitation. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at hjoshi@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3131.

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. 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
- 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. 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 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, please visit www.oaklandnet.com/redistricting. For more information, please contact Devan Reiff, AICP, Planner II, at dreiff@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3550.

Hack the Hood Provides Free Services to Boost the Online Presence of Oakland Small Businesses – In early July, Hack the Hood, an innovative program that provides technical training to Oakland youth, launched its six-week-long boot camp for participants. Youth are

being trained and mentored by web professionals, including folks from Facebook, Ask and Pandora. In addition to building free, one-page mobile websites for qualifying Oakland businesses, the program also offers assistance with optimizing positioning in search results and directory listings. Youth gain important job readiness skills and an insight into tech careers while local businesses get greater online visibility. Supported by the Oakland Fund for Children and Youth, Thomas J. Long Foundation and Google Ventures, the program teaches web and mobile development skills to Oakland teens and then sends them out to work in the community to get local businesses online. Program partners include the Center For Media Change/Oakland Local and United Roots. This program is ideal for local retail stores, but will also work for home-based businesses and individual service providers that have a publishable location in Oakland. To register your business, please complete the online form at <http://bit.ly/ROEISn> or email hth@oaklandlocal.com. For more information on the program, please visit www.hackthehood.org.

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.

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 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 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. 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.

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.

"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 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 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 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. For more information, please contact Dylan Hamilton, Community Building Coordinator, at 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 Mammias 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 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.

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 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 or visit www.warehouse416.com.

Arts & Crafts – Saturdays, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m., Brookfield Branch Library, 9255 Edes Avenue. Come and join in the fun. 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. 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.

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: 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 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 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 Jenkins Summer Full & Half Day Camp – Monday through Friday until August 23, Ira Jenkins 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 or (510) 615-5959.

Children's Book Drive – Through Friday, August 16, Various Drop Off Locations. 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 or (510) 238-3620.

"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 or call (510) 532-9142.

Oakland Youth Poet Laureate Ceremony – Friday, August 2, 6:30 pm, I-SEED, 1625 Clay Street, Suite 600. The City of Oakland will announce the winner of its second Youth Poet Laureate competition in a public ceremony, with Oakland Indie Award Winner Jazz Monique Hudson as master of ceremonies. All eight finalists in the contest will perform before this year's

winner is announced. For information, please contact Amy Sonnie, Teen Outreach Librarian, at 238-7233 or asonnie@oaklandlibrary.org.

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.

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 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.

Seed Collecting Class – Saturday, August 3, 11:00 a.m., Dimond Branch Library, 3565 Fruitvale Avenue. As you harvest your fall garden, learn how to collect seeds for next year and/or to share with other gardeners. The class will be taught by permaculturist Carmen Cortez. For information, please contact Rebekah Eppley, Librarian, at reppley@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 482-7844.

Employment Skills Symposium: Resumes and Cover Letters – Saturday, August 3, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m., Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch Library, 6833 International Boulevard. Employment skills expert Michael Lampkin will lead weekly seminars on how to apply, interview and land a job. This week will cover what to include in your resume and cover letter and how to organize them. You will also learn about the art of writing thank-you letters and documenting your information. For information, please contact Brian Guenther, Branch Manager, at bguenther@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 615-5728.

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 and art activities. For more information, please visit 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 information or to register, please visit 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.

9th Annual Summer Reading Celebration – Sunday, August 4, Noon to 4:00 p.m., Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. The Oakland Public Library's 2013 Summer Reading Program concludes with this celebration that 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 the Office of 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 or (510) 238-3848.

Oakland Municipal Band Concert – Sunday, August 4, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Edoff Memorial Bandstand, Lakeside Park, Bellevue Avenue. Enjoy the band's 102nd concert season with free concerts offering an array of jazz, contemporary, pop, big band, international, classical, marches and show tunes. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Picnics welcomed. For more information, please visit www.oaklandmunicipalband.org or call (510) 339-2818.

North Oakland Senior Center Celebrates National Night Out – Tuesday, August 6, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., North Oakland Senior Center, 5714 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. Celebrate National Night Out with an old-fashioned ice cream social on the patio. For more information, contact Mary Norton, Senior Center Director, at mnorton@oaklandnet.com or (510) 597-5085.

Fire Station Open House – Tuesday, August 6, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Fire Station 7, 1996 Amity 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.

Dr. King, the Dream, and the Speech that Sparked a Movement – Wednesday, August 7, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., Main Library, 125 14th Street. *Guardian* columnist and *The Nation* magazine contributor Gary Younge will commemorate the 50th anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" speech with a talk about its conception and its enduring impact on social movements and activists around the globe. Mr. Younge will sign copies of his book, *The Speech*:

the Story Behind Martin Luther King's Dream. For information, please contact Dorothy Lazard, Librarian, at dlazard@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3222.

Waterfront Flicks – Thursday, August 8, Sundown, Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. Enjoy a free screening of “Skyfall” on the beautiful waterfront. Grab dinner at any Jack London Square restaurant or pack a picnic. Prior to the screening, enjoy trivia questions and prizes. For more information, please visit www.jacklondonsquare.com.

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.

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.

Dog Days of Summer – Saturday, August 10, 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Chabot Space & Science Center, 10000 Skyline Boulevard. Join in celebrating dogs and their people and explore the science behind the things that dogs do and love, from training and exercise to play and nutrition. Activities include a keynote address by renowned animal behaviorist Dr. Ian Dunbar, Doggie Spa, paw-traits and raffles plus demonstrations from Sirius Dog Training, United States Coast Guard and Canine Circus. For more information, please visit <http://www.chabotspace.org/dog-days.htm>.

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.

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, Office of Parks and Recreation 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.

Family Sundown Safari – Saturday, August 10 to Sunday August 11, 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.

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. To register, please email classes:core@oaklandnet.com or call (510) 238-6351.

Sing-Along Cinema Series – Wednesday, August 14, Sundown, Ferry Lawn, Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. Enjoy a free screening of "Grease" with the theatrical antics of Barely Legal, as they sing and dance along with the movie. Come dressed as a character from the movie and be prepared to sing your favorite songs. For more information, please visit www.jacklondonsquare.com

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.

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.

Waterfront Flicks – Thursday, August 22, Sundown, Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. Enjoy a free screening of "Goonies" on the beautiful waterfront. Grab dinner at any Jack London Square restaurant or pack a picnic. Prior to the screening, enjoy trivia questions and prizes. For more information, please visit www.jacklondonsquare.com.

Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk – Friday, August 23, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., At Thy Word, 8915 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.

Movies at Studio One – Friday, August 23, 8:15 p.m., Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Enjoy a free screening of “Brave.” For more information, please call (510) 597-5027.

26th Annual Chinatown Streetfest – Saturday, August 24 and Sunday, August 25, 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Chinatown, 9th Street at Webster. Savor the taste of Asia and experience the traditions that Oakland's Chinatown has so diligently preserved. Consisting of more than 200 booths, the festival will span nine to ten blocks of Chinatown. There will be arts & crafts, entertainment on two stages and a Cultural Village presented by the Oakland Asian Cultural Center. For more information, please visit www.oaklandchinatownstreetfest.com.

Respectfully submitted,

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