



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR &  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Deanna J. Santana

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

**DATE:** September 6, 2013

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### INFORMATION

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

***City of Oakland Offices Closed for California Admission Day Holiday*** – On Monday, September 9, the City of Oakland administrative offices will be closed in observance of the California Admission Day holiday. While the City's administrative employees are out of the office, if a situation arises that requires more staffing, the City has a plan in place to call in additional resources. Police, fire and emergency services are not affected during the holiday. For more information, please contact Karen Boyd, Citywide Communications Director, at [kboyd@oaklandnet.com](mailto:kboyd@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6365.

***Activities Planned for Raiders Week*** – On Monday, September 9, Mayor Jean Quan will join Raiders Hall of Famer Willie Brown and Visit Oakland President & CEO Alison Best for a media event to kick off Raiders Week, September 9 - 15. At the end of the press conference, the Mayor will join Raider Legends/Pro Football Hall of Famers Fred Biletnikoff and Willie Brown as well as the Raiderettes to raise the official Oakland Raiders flag on top of City Hall. Activities planned for Raiders Week range from a 5K Run, "Pirate Weekend" at Children's Fairyland and gift certificate giveaways to cheer cards, discounts at area attractions and restaurant specials. For more information, please visit <http://visitoakland.org/raiders.cfm>.

***City Seeks Citizen Input on Council Redistricting*** – On Saturday, September 7 and Sunday, September 8, three Redistricting Town Hall Meetings will be held to gather public input on the maps submitted by the public and those crafted by the Redistricting vendor. The input will help further refine the maps prior to presentation to the Oakland City Council in October. 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 read the media release on the September meetings, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK042614>. 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 three remaining Redistricting Town Hall Meetings are:

- 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. 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](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.

***Oakland Transportation Grants Win Big*** – On Thursday, August 22, the Public Works Agency announced that the City of Oakland was recently awarded over \$20 million in federal transportation funds to improve streets throughout the City. These grant awards represent 37 percent of the \$54 million in One Bay Area Grant program funds awarded in Alameda County. Under the One Bay Area Grant program, regional funding authorities are aligning transportation funds to projects that support projected infill development in areas formally designated for priority development. Oakland received funds for projects located in three priority development areas: Downtown, West Oakland and the Lake Merritt BART Station area. These areas are expected to support additional housing and job growth in the coming years, and will require infrastructure upgrades and transportation project development in order to accommodate that growth. The projects will improve bicycle and pedestrian access to transit, encourage infill development and maintain roadway and transit-supportive infrastructure, such as pavement. The overall goals of the grant program are to maintain existing infrastructure while investing in projects that decrease air pollution in the region. Oakland is receiving funding for five projects:

- Lakeside Green Street Project

- Peralta Street/Martin Luther King Jr. Streetscape Project
- 7th Street West Oakland Transit Village Phase 2
- Lake Merritt BART Bikeways
- Oakland Pavement Rehabilitation

Federal funds will be available to spend starting in late 2013, and the City of Oakland expects to be ready to bid projects for construction starting in early 2014. All work will be completed by 2017. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak042531>. For more information, please contact Bruce Williams, Senior Transportation Planner, at [bwilliams@oaklandnet.com](mailto:bwilliams@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-7229.

***OPD Officers Continue to Make Key Arrests in Reducing Crime in the City*** – Over the past several weeks, the Oakland Police Department (OPD) and Crime Reduction Teams have continued to make notable arrests in our community for robberies, burglaries and other crimes. One key arrest was that of Demetrius Ward, whom investigators believe is responsible for the car burglary and shooting of four victims on Saturday, August 17, at 4:10 p.m., in the 1700 block of Telegraph Avenue. Ward was charged by the Alameda County District Attorney's Office with one count of attempted murder, three counts of assault with a semi-automatic firearm, one count of second degree auto burglary and violation of probation. Additional details on this and other arrests are listed on the OPD website at [www.oaklandpolice.com](http://www.oaklandpolice.com). For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at [hjoshi@oaklandnet.com](mailto:hjoshi@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3131.

***Library Announces New Monday Hours at Four Branches*** – Starting Monday September 16, hours of operation will change at four of the library's 16 branch locations when the Brookfield, Eastmont, Golden Gate and Piedmont Avenue branch libraries begin a Monday through Friday schedule. All other branches will keep their current Tuesday through Saturday schedules and the Main Library will continue to be open seven days a week. The four branches that are shifting to a Monday through Friday schedule will be open on Monday evenings, instead of their current Tuesday evenings, with the following Monday hours:

- Brookfield and Eastmont branches: 11:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Golden Gate and Piedmont Avenue branches: 12:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

All Tuesday-Saturday branches will continue to be open on Tuesday evenings, and the Main Library will continue to be open on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak041977>. For additional information, please contact Sharon McKellar, Community Relations Librarian, at (510) 238-3513.

***Alexander Zuckermann Bicycle-Pedestrian Path Opening*** – On Tuesday, September 3, Mayor Jean Quan bicycled to the opening of the Alexander Zuckermann Bicycle-Pedestrian Path on the new Oakland span of the Bay Bridge. Joining Mayor Quan for the ride were City Attorney Barbara Parker, Interim Director Brooke Levin and staff members from the Public Works Agency and Interim Chief Sean Whent and officers from the Oakland Police Department. The path is open from sunrise to sunset and is named after a tenacious bike advocate who founded the East Bay Bicycle Coalition and led the charge for the creation of the bike path on the new span.

Mr. Zuckermann was also a city planner with the City of Oakland for more than two decades. Following the media event, pedestrians and cyclists had their first chance to travel on the path on the south side of the Bay Bridge. The path, which begins at trailheads in both Oakland and Emeryville, stretches to the suspension tower. Following demolition of the old span, the path will continue to Yerba Buena Island. From the trailheads, bikers and walkers journey on a landscaped trail, over a temporary wooden bridge and on to the new Oakland span. On the bridge, the 15½-foot-wide path includes an outside lane for pedestrians, plus separate bike lanes in each direction to ensure safety. The path joins Oakland's network of 132 miles of bikeways and connects to the Bay Trail. For more information, please visit [www.baybridgeinfo.org](http://www.baybridgeinfo.org).

***OFD, OPD, OPL and Mayor Participated in 4th Annual Oakland Pride Festival*** – On Sunday, September 1, the Oakland Fire Department (OFD), Oakland Police Department (OPD), Oakland Public Library (OPL) and the Mayor participated in the 4th Annual Pride Festival. Each department came to highlight key services within the City. OPD's recruiting staff were actively recruiting future police academy trainees interested in serving the Oakland community. OFD and OPD gave tours of the Fire Engine, OPD Marine Boat and OPD/OFD Mobile Command Vehicle to the community, showing the tools used to maintain or enhance public safety. OPL hosted a story time tent in the kid's area that garnered much attention from the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) community. In addition to meeting festival attendees and vendors, Interim Chief Sean Whent joined Mayor Jean Quan to address a crowd of thousands. The Mayor and Chief pledged to continue working with the LGBTQ community, a valued part of our diverse city. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at [hjoshi@oaklandnet.com](mailto:hjoshi@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3131.

***OPD Supports Faith-Based Back-to-School Book & Backpack Giveaway Program*** – On Saturday, August 31, Interim Chief Sean Whent and Problem Solving Officers (PSOs) visited Greater Refuge Church of God in Christ at 2001 73rd Avenue to meet with local children and families for a Back-to-School Book & Backpack Giveaway Program. The church was represented by Superintendent Carl L. Wheeler, Sr. and Last Day Revival Ministry Pastor Cornell C.S. Wheeler. Chief Whent and Pastor Wheeler agreed that building a strong partnership between the Oakland Police Department (OPD) and the faith-based community is important in making Oakland a safer city. The Chief spoke with the children and their families and heard valuable community feedback. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at [hjoshi@oaklandnet.com](mailto:hjoshi@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3131.

***OPR receives \$75,000 from Waste Management*** – On Thursday, September 5, the Office of Parks and Recreation received a gift of \$75,000 from Waste Management of Alameda County which were proceeds from their annual Golf Tournament and Fundraiser. Grant funds will be used for renovations at the East Oakland Sports Complex including the Ira Jinkins Recreation Center's gym. The Office of Parks and Recreation and Waste Management are committed to enhancing Oakland communities through programs and projects that help make them cleaner and better places to live. Local Waste Management facilities are proactive in identifying charities located in the immediate community that they serve. For more information, please contact Dana Riley, Assistant to the Director, at [driley@oaklandnet.com](mailto:driley@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6495.

***OPD Marine Unit Leads Oakland Estuary Enhancement Project Kick Off*** – On Friday, August 29, the Oakland Police Department (OPD) Marine Unit, led by Officer Jim Gordon, teamed with multiple local law enforcement marine units to begin the Oakland Estuary Enhancement Project. Joining OPD on the project are the Alameda Police Department Harbor Patrol, the San Francisco Police Department Marine Unit, the Alameda County Sheriff's Marine Unit, the California Highway Patrol Marine Unit, the U.S. Coast Guard, the Alameda County District Attorney's Office Investigator, the California State Lands Commission and the California Department of Resources Recycling & Recovery (CalRecycle). The Oakland Estuary Enhancement Project will identify and clear the Oakland Estuary of illegal and hazardous items, including abandoned private and commercial vessels, some of which are leaking oils and fuel into our waterways. Some abandoned vessels have been used as meth labs to manufacture illegal substances. Rotting piers and other hazardous debris dangerous to our waterways will also be removed. This project will focus on the inlet waterways and harbors in Oakland and south to the San Leandro Bay, ending at the Bay Farm Island Bridge. Signs will be posted and individuals will have 30 days to move their vessels before the vessels can be legally impounded. The enhancement project is scheduled for completion before Thanksgiving 2013. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at [hjoshi@oaklandnet.com](mailto:hjoshi@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3131.

***Obasi Davis Named Oakland Youth Poet Laureate*** – On Monday, August 5, the Oakland Public Library announced that 17-year-old Obasi Davis had been selected as the City of Oakland's 2013 Youth Poet Laureate. Mr. Davis emerged as the best of eight talented finalists in a competition that began in April with a highly competitive process juried by accomplished authors, educators and community leaders. He replaces former Youth Poet Laureate, Stephanie Yun, who won the contest in 2012. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak042295>. For more information, please contact Amy Sonnie, Teen Outreach Librarian, at [asonnie@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:asonnie@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7233.

***Applications Now Being Accepted for Youth Job Training at the Library*** – By Monday, September 16, Oakland youth, ages 16 to 24, interested in developing professional skills necessary for technology-focused careers should register for Ready, Set, Connect! The Oakland Public Library is partnering with Community Technology Network to offer this professional development program designed to help Oakland youth. Over eight months, Ready, Set, Connect! participants will learn how to use web design, social media and graphic design tools, in addition to receiving professional etiquette training, internship opportunities and mentoring from technology company employees. Participants will practice their dynamic skills while assisting the Oakland Public Library with program outreach and digital tutoring in their computer labs. The program begins in October and concludes in May. Interested youth should complete the online application at <http://bit.ly/WeYsn0> by September 16. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK042663>. For more information, please contact Kerri Shannon, Computer Technology Network, at [RSC@ctnbayarea.org](mailto:RSC@ctnbayarea.org) or (510) 479-0931.

***Learn How the Affordable Care Act Affects You at the Library*** – On, January 1, the Affordable Care Act – or “ObamaCare” – will go into effect. Are you ready? The Oakland Public Library is ready – that is, ready to help patrons with questions about this monumental legislation. Visit

[www.oaklandlibrary.org/coveredca](http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/coveredca) to see what resources are available to you, including upcoming events at the library.

***Library Introduces Free Online Magazines*** – On Friday, August 30, the Oakland Public Library began providing Zinio, a digital magazine service, to patrons through its website. With this service, Library patrons can browse from a long list of popular and specialized magazines – Newsweek, Dwell, the Utne Reader, Esquire, Juxtapoz, Lowrider, Mother Jones, O, Yoga Journal and dozens more. To use the service, please visit <http://oaklandlibrary.org/online-resources/articles-and-databases> and click on “Zinio for Libraries” under “Magazine & Journal Articles.” For information, please contact Tamar Kirschner, Collection Development Librarian, at [tkirschner@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:tkirschner@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-4704.

***Friday Summer Nights at the Park*** – On Friday, August 16, the Messengers4Change Friday Summer Nights at the Park concluded a successful summer at Carter Gilmore Park and Willie Wilkins Park in East Oakland. The free, weekly public events included free food and refreshments, games for all ages, music and raffles. This was the third summer that Messengers4Change hosted the six-week-long Friday night parks program in targeted hotspots in East Oakland as part of Mayor Quan's Late Night Live in the Parks project. The parks program was supported this year by a grant from the Oakland Fund for Children and Youth. Over 100 residents came to each park every Friday with their friends and families in order to support young people in their community, promote peace and have fun in the park. Messengers4Change is an Oakland Unite project that encourages Oakland residents to take a stand against violence. Community residents trained to be Messengers4Change send a clear message that gun violence is not acceptable, and host events in different parts of Oakland to reach out to those affected by violence. To learn more about Messengers4Change and the parks program, please visit <http://messengers4change.org>. 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.

***SFMOMA Acoustic Sound Art Installation Hosted in Ogawa Plaza*** – Through Sunday, November 17, Oakland's Frank H. Ogawa Plaza will host “Occasional Music,” a sound installation by Oakland-based Zarouhie Abdalian. Beginning in early September, brass bells are programmed to ring simultaneously at a specified time each day from rooftops in and around Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. For several minutes, each bell will play a randomized rhythmic structure of accelerandi and ritardandos that will sound different each time. The installation is part of SFMOMA On The Go program that has the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art hosting exhibitions at various locations throughout the Bay Area while the museum is closed for construction. The project will commence with a press preview of the sound installation on Tuesday, September 10. The time of the once-a-day pealing of the bells will vary. The complete schedule will be posted at [www.sfmoma.org/secaaward](http://www.sfmoma.org/secaaward) and available in Oakland City Hall shortly. The installation was developed in coordination with the Oakland Public Art Program. For more information, please contact Steven Huss, Cultural Arts Manager, at [shuss@oaklandnet.com](mailto:shuss@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-4949 or Kristen Zaremba, Senior Public Art Project Manager, at [kzaremba@oaklandnet.com](mailto:kzaremba@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-2155.

***Celebrating Senior Center Month*** – On Friday, September 27, the Downtown Oakland Senior Center will host a day full of free classes and activities for seniors from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Classes range from Tai Chi Chuan, Yoga and *Feldenkreis* to writing, Bridge and current event discussions. The center is located at 200 Grand Avenue. For more information, please contact Jennifer King, Senior Center Director, at [jking@oaklandnet.com](mailto:jking@oaklandnet.com) or call (510) 238-3284.

***Autumn Lights Festival*** – On Friday, October 18 & Saturday, October 19, The Gardens at Lake Merritt will be transformed with several acres of garden illuminated with enchanting art installations created by local Bay Area artists. A fundraiser for Oakland's hidden jewel, recently named one of California's Top 5 Gardens by *VIA Magazine*, The Gardens at Lake Merritt are located at 666 Bellevue Avenue. The event will run from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. both nights. Proceeds will be used for garden improvements for the enjoyment of the entire community. Save \$10 by purchasing your general admission tickets in advance at <http://autumnlightsfestival.eventbrite.com>. VIP Tickets for adults 21 include free wine and beer tastings and illumination toys in the VIP lounge. For more information, please contact Victoria 'Tora' Rocha, Park Supervisor I, at [vrocha@oaklandnet.com](mailto:vrocha@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3208.

***Mark Your Calendar for Creek To Bay Day 2013*** – On Saturday, September 21, Creek to Bay Day, Oakland's annual volunteer creek cleanup and beautification event, will be held from 9:00 a.m. to noon at more than two dozen work sites. Creek to Bay Day is held in conjunction with International Coastal Cleanup Day and is sponsored in California by the California Coastal Commission. Last September, more than 1,400 volunteers came out to City of Oakland, East Bay Regional Parks District and Port of Oakland sites to improve the condition of Oakland's waterways and their surroundings. Over 17,000 pounds of trash were collected from Oakland's creeks, the estuary and Lake Merritt; 221 pounds of recyclables picked up; and 216 cubic yards of green waste removed to make way for native plants to flourish. For more information, please contact Pamela Boyle Rodriguez, Environmental Resources Analyst, at [pboyle@oaklandnet.com](mailto:pboyle@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6191.

***9/11 Tribute: Spruce Up Oakland Fire Station No. 1*** – On Saturday, September 14, come celebrate Oakland's first responders by sprucing up Fire Station No. 1 at 1605 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. Activities will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and will result in a facility upgrade that reflects the firefighters' community commitment and create a new way-station on Oakland's Pollinator Posse Pathway – safe passage through the urban landscape for the bees, butterflies and other winged creatures that help keep the city's greenery thriving. For more information, please contact Victoria 'Tora' Rocha, Park Supervisor I, at [vrocha@oaklandnet.com](mailto:vrocha@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3208.

***Upcoming City of Oakland Job Announcement*** – During the week of September 10, the Department of Human Resources Management (DHRM) anticipates posting job announcements for the following positions:

- Graphic Delineator
- Human Resource Clerk
- Human Resource Technician

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 online 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 month.

***LED Lighting Safety*** – This informational memorandum provides information surrounding LED Lighting Safety and clarification on individuals working for the City's LED Streetlight Conversion Project. <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK042789>

***Public Works Management Changes*** – This information memorandum announced the Public Works Agency (PWA) Executive Team, effective Monday August 19. <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK042468>.

### **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).

***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).

***Board Game Days*** – Every Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 a.m., Hall 2, Downtown Oakland Senior Center, 200 Grand Avenue. Join others in rousing board games including Monopoly, Scrabble, Boggle and many more. For more information, please contact Jennifer King, Senior Center Director, at [jking@oaklandnet.com](mailto:jking@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3284.

***Affordable Health Care Act: Your Questions Answered*** – Every Wednesday through 2013, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., Main Library, 125 14th Street. Come and learn about the Affordable Health Care Act. A certified enrollment counselor will be available to answer your questions and assist with the application process in the Main Library computer lab. For information, please contact Mana Tominaga, Supervising Librarian, at [mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-6611.

***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.

***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>.

***Friday Nights @ OMCA*** – Every Friday, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. Join the Oakland Museum of California and Off the Grid every Friday for a family-friendly take on a festive night market. Enjoy blues, jazz and bluegrass with DJs and live bands, free dance lessons and extended museum hours. For more information, please visit [www.museumca.org](http://www.museumca.org) or call (510) 318-8400.

***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>.

***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>.

***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. 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](http://www.montclairvillage.com).

***“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.

***Fifth Annual Mission Creek Oakland Music and Arts Festival*** – Through September, Various Hours, Various Oakland Venues. Enjoy an entire month packed with shows, art openings, film screenings and more. For more information, please visit [www.mcofest.org](http://www.mcofest.org).

***Free Classes to Help You Get the Job You Want*** – Through September, Various Times, Main Library, 125 14th Street and Lakeview Branch Library, 550 El Embarcadero. The Oakland Public Library is offering Job On!, its popular series of job search courses at two locations in September. Four courses are offered at each location, covering topics such as clarifying your goals, researching companies, creating effective resumes and preparing for job interviews. For more information, please call the Main Library Information Desk at (510) 238-3134 or visit <http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/sites/default/files/events/flyers/Job%20ON%20flyer%20-%20Sept%202013.pdf>.

***Jack's Night Market*** – Friday, 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).

***Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk*** – Friday, September 6, 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).

***Legally Blonde: The Musical*** – Friday, September 6 to Sunday, September 8, 8:00 p.m. Friday & Saturday, 7:00 p.m. Sunday, Woodminster Amphitheater, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road. Legally Blonde is the story of famously perky Elle Woods, whose perfect life is turned upside down when her boyfriend dumps her so he can attend Harvard Law School and pursue a career in politics. For more information, please visit [www.woodminster.com](http://www.woodminster.com).

***East Oakland Senior Center Field Trip*** – Saturday, September 7, 9:00 a.m., East Oakland Senior Center, 9255 Edes Avenue. Enjoy a trip to the 29th Annual Pittsburg Seafood & Music Festival. The trip, including transportation and festival admission, costs \$6 per person. For more information, please contact Antonia Rivera, Administrative Assistant, at [arivera@oaklandnet.com](mailto:arivera@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 615-5731.

***Mystery on the Vine*** – Thursday, September 12, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Main Library, Bradley Walters Community Room, 125 14th Street. Come and meet Edward "Doc" Feinstein, internationally renowned wine expert. Doc will discuss his recently published mystery novel, "Pinot Envoy." He will also talk about recent trends in the wine industry and answer your questions about all things wine-related. As an expert on rare wines, he has traveled the world to judge wines and appraise rare bottles, so he has fascinating tales to tell. For information, please contact Barbara Bibel, Librarian II, at [bbibel@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:bbibel@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-3138.

***Sing-along Cinema*** – Thursday, September 12, Sundown, Ferry Lawn, Jack London Square, foot of Clay Street. Come out and join in the fun with an outdoor sing-along movie. Enjoy the movie "Mama Mia" with the theatrical antics of Barely Legal, as they sing and dance along with the movie. Come dressed as the theme of the movie and be prepared to sing with your favorite songs. For more information, please visit [www.jacklondonsquare.com](http://www.jacklondonsquare.com).

***Legally Blonde: The Musical*** – Thursday, September 12 to Sunday, September 15, 7:00 p.m. Thursday & Sunday, 8:00 p.m. Friday & Saturday, Woodminster Amphitheater, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road. Legally Blonde is the story of famously perky Elle Woods, whose perfect life is turned upside down when her boyfriend dumps her so he can attend Harvard Law School and pursue a career in politics. For more information, please visit [www.woodminster.com](http://www.woodminster.com).

***Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk*** – Friday, September 13, 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, September 13, Dusk, Redwood Heights Recreation Center, 3883 Aliso Avenue. The Movies in the Park series features a free screening of “Back to the Future.” 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, September 13, 8:15 p.m., Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Enjoy a free screening of “Back to the Future.” For more information, please call (510) 597-5027.

***Making Sense of Healthcare Reform*** – Saturday, September 14, 10:30 am - Noon, Dimond Branch Library, 3565 Fruitvale Avenue. Whether you know it as “ObamaCare,” the Affordable Care Act or Health Care Reform, this law signed by President Obama in 2010 will impact you in 2014. When fully implemented on January 1, 2014, this historic legislation will lead to many changes to American health care. Denise Lombard will explain what this historic law means to you. For information, please contact Sarah Hodgson, Branch Manager, at [shodgson@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:shodgson@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 482-7844.

***8th Annual Day in the Park*** – Saturday, September 14, Noon - 5:00 p.m., Maxwell Park, Fleming Avenue between Courtland & Monticello. Celebrate the Maxwell Park neighborhood while enjoying entertainment, food trucks and many activities for kids including bike repair, miniature pony, Bubba the Boa, basketball and much more. For more information, please visit [www.maxwellparknc.com](http://www.maxwellparknc.com).

***Jazz at the Chimes*** – Sunday, September 15, 2:00 p.m., Chapel of the Chimes, 4499 Piedmont Avenue. This concert features a performance by captivating jazz vocalist Clairdee in a concert entitled “Something to Live For: A Love Letter to Lena Horne.” For more information, please visit [www.jazzatthechimes.com](http://www.jazzatthechimes.com).

***2nd Annual Delilah Beasley Tea*** – Sunday, September 15, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., Pardee Home Museum, 672 11th Street. Progressive Oakland Women for Empowerment & Reform (POWER) host this special event to recognize an individual and an organization for exceptional contributions to women and the community. This year's honorees are Mills College and Cora Tellez. Enjoy tea and pastries with chamber music in the museum's lovely garden. For more information, please call (510) 444-2159.

***Coffee & Conversations*** – Wednesday, September 18, 9:30 a.m., Downtown Oakland Senior Center, 200 Grand Avenue. The topic will be “Everything You Need to Know About Immunizations” with discussions on shingles, flu shots and other shots and who should get them and why. R.S.V.P. to (510) 238-3284. For more information, please contact Jennifer King, Senior Center Director at [jking@oaklandnet.com](mailto:jking@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3284.

***Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk*** – Friday, September 20, 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).

***Friday Nite Live at the East Oakland Senior Center*** – Friday, September 20, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., East Oakland Senior Center, 9255 Edes Avenue. A quarterly event, the theme for this night's event is "All Fall Brown." Entertainment will include guest vocalist Cal Louis. For more information, please contact Antonia Rivera, Administrative Assistant, at [arivera@oaklandnet.com](mailto:arivera@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 615-5731.

***Creek To Bay Day*** – Saturday, September 21, 9:00 a.m. - Noon, Various Oakland Locations. Participate in Oakland's annual volunteer creek cleanup and beautification event at more than two dozen sites. In 2012, more than 1,400 volunteers came out to City of Oakland, East Bay Regional Parks District and Port of Oakland sites to improve the condition of Oakland's waterways and their surroundings. Over 17,000 pounds of trash were collected from Oakland's creeks, the estuary and Lake Merritt; 221 pounds of recyclables picked up; and 216 cubic yards of green waste removed to make way for native plants to flourish. For more information, please visit [www.oaklandcreektobay.org](http://www.oaklandcreektobay.org).

***Oakland Music Festival*** – Saturday, September 21, Noon - 8:00 p.m., Uptown District, 18th Street and San Pablo Avenue. The monumental kick-off of the Oakland Music Festival will showcase the future flavors of the city through musicians, chefs and artisans. This will be a family friendly block party with plenty of Oakland love and sunshine. For more information, please visit [www.oaklandmusicfestival.com](http://www.oaklandmusicfestival.com).

***The Starlight Gala*** – Saturday, September 21, 6:00 - 11:00 p.m., Chabot Space & Science Center, 10000 Skyline Boulevard. Join Bay Area business, community and philanthropic leaders to support Chabot's work in promoting a science-literate citizenry and workforce prepared for a 21st century society. The evening's theme illuminates and celebrates the role of science and technology education plays in the ability of individuals to imagine and invent and create the future. For more information, please visit [www.chabotspace.org](http://www.chabotspace.org).

***Sundays in the Redwoods Outdoor Concert Series*** – Sunday, September 22, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Woodminster Amphitheater, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road. “Magic in the Music” is the theme

for this concert featuring performances by Vivian Green and Dos Four. Series continues weekly through October 13. For more information, visit [www.sundaysintheredwoods.com](http://www.sundaysintheredwoods.com).

***Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk*** – Friday, September 27, 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](mailto:fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com).

***Movies in the Park*** – Friday, September 27, Dusk, Redwood Heights Recreation Center, 3883 Aliso Avenue. The Movies in the Park series features a free screening of “Paranorman.” For more information, please contact Breht Clark, Recreation Center Director, at [bclark@oaklandnet.com](mailto:bclark@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 482-7827.

***Laurel Outdoor Movie Series*** – Saturday, September 28, 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 “Wall-E.” For more information, please visit [www.laureldistrictassociation.org](http://www.laureldistrictassociation.org).

***Eat Real Festival*** – Friday, September 27 - Sunday, September 29, Various Hours, Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. Eat Real combines a state fair, a street food festival and a block party to celebrate good times and fresh, local food. Free entry and no food item costing more than \$5, with all food featuring local, organic and sustainable ingredients. For more information, please visit [www.eatrealfest.com](http://www.eatrealfest.com) or call (510) 250-7811.

***Sundays in the Redwoods Outdoor Concert Series*** – Sunday, September 29, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Woodminster Amphitheater, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road. “Soul is the Key” is the theme for this concert featuring performances by Bobby Caldwell, Rick Alexander and the Skyline Jazz. Series continues weekly through October 13. For more information, visit [www.sundaysintheredwoods.com](http://www.sundaysintheredwoods.com).

Respectfully submitted,

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