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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:

OPD Announces Two Charged in Murder of Alaysha Carradine – On Tuesday, October 1, the Oakland Police Department (OPD) held a press conference to announce that charges had been filed by the Alameda County District Attorney's Office against two individuals for the murder of eight-year-old Alaysha Carradine, who was shot and killed while answering the door at a sleepover. The case was cracked through intensive collaboration with law enforcement agencies, including the Berkeley Police Department, the California Department of Justice's Bureau of Investigations and the District Attorney's Office. During the investigation, OPD developed information that several related suspects were conspiring to commit an additional murder, which OPD was able to prevent from taking place. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK043225>. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at hjoshi@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3131.

City of Oakland and Code for America Launch "RecordTrac" – On Tuesday, October 1, the City of Oakland officially launched "RecordTrac," a new web application to help the City manage and track incoming public record requests. RecordTrac, <http://records.oaklandnet.com>, improves transparency, allows users to track progress of their request and saves staff resources through more efficient request handling. The tool provides a searchable public archive of the requests and the responses received from City staff so users can locate information that has already been retrieved. This saves users time and saves City staff from having to process a duplicate request. The Public Records Request system was built by the City of Oakland's 2013 Code for America Fellows Sheila Dugan, Cris Cristina and Richa Agarwal. The fellows have been working with the City of Oakland since February to develop an application that will bolster the City's goals of increased transparency, more efficient processes and better access to public information. As part of the development process, a working group was established with City staff from the City Administrator's Office, Public Ethics Commission, City Attorney's Office and City Clerk's Office. Besides looking at technology, the working group also reviewed the law, processes and policies around fulfilling Public Record Requests. In addition, the Public Ethics Commission is working with the community to outline a vision for transparency and Open Government in Oakland, furthering our shared goals of ensuring fairness, openness, honesty and

integrity in City government. Oakland's new Public Records Request system is the latest in a series of recent efforts by the City to engage citizens and provide increased access to information and more transparency. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK043218>. For more information, please contact Karen Boyd, Citywide Communications Director, at kboyd@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-6365.

OPD 168th Academy Encouraged by Mayoral Visit – On Monday, September 30, Interim Assistant Chief Paul Figueroa and Mayor Jean Quan paid a visit to the 57 members of newest Police Academy on their first day of class. This academy is the third class this year and will be graduating in the spring of 2014. Training for this class has a greater focus on community interaction than ever before because direct, one-on-one relations with the community make a difference in neighborhoods and result in crime reduction. Mayor Quan shared three things citizens would like to see from the police: a friendly demeanor, relationship building and respect. This class has many bilingual members and many participants have a strong urban background. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at hjoshi@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3131.

Grand Opening of the Savoy Apartments – On Friday, October 22 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., Satellite Affordable Housing Associates (SAHA) is hosting a grand opening for the Savoy Apartments, a substantially rehabilitated 101-unit affordable housing project for very-low-income households. The City of Oakland provided \$2.5 million in HUD HOME funds and \$800,000 in PATH CDBG funds, and the former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Oakland provided \$1.1 million in low-moderate income housing funds for the substantial rehabilitation of the property. SAHA leveraged the City and former Agency funds, which resulted in an additional \$15 million in tax credit equity, \$2 million from the Oakland Housing Authority and \$1.5 million from California Housing Finance Agency for the project. The project, located at 1424 Jefferson Street, consists of two existing Single Room Occupancy (SRO) residential buildings: the Oaks Hotel (owned by an affiliate of Oakland Community Housing, Inc.) and the Jefferson Hotel (privately owned). The substantial rehabilitation included a reconfiguration and enlargement of the units, upgrades of all major systems and the addition of private bathrooms and kitchen facilities to ensure that all units have these facilities. The rehabilitation also resulted in improvements to the commercial spaces located on the ground floor of the property. Twenty-five units are targeted towards homeless individuals and families with extremely low incomes. For more information, please contact Meghan Horl, Housing Development Coordinator IV, at mhorl@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-6171.

Hundreds Cheer On Oakland's Baseball Team At "A's OAKtoberfest Rally" – On Tuesday, October 1, more than 700 baseball fans attended the "A's OAKtoberfest Rally" in front of Oakland City Hall. Starting at 5:00 p.m., the celebration cheered on the 2013 MLB American League West Champions as they head to the playoffs. Devoted fans joined Mayor Jean Quan, team mascot Stomper, personalities from the A's flagship station 95.7 "The Game" and the team's in-stadium host, Kara Tsuboi. Oakland A's outfielder Josh Reddick made a special appearance. In the spirit of the season, the top of City Hall will be lit in green and gold throughout the playoffs.

OPD Community Satisfaction Survey Translations Now Available – On Monday, September 30, the Oakland Police Department (OPD) posted the Chinese and Spanish versions of its community survey on its website at www.oaklandpolice.com and the City's home page at www.oaklandnet.com. The survey was previously released in English and will be available in Vietnamese shortly. The Chinese version of the survey can be accessed directly at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LX3CH9V>. The Spanish version can be accessed directly at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KC5H3WV>. The English version is accessible at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7YLJ9RT>. Paper versions of the survey are available from Neighborhood Services Coordinators and at the Police Administration Building, 455 7th Street and the Eastmont Substation, 2651 73rd Avenue. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at hjoshi@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3131.

Oakland Community Night with the Golden State Warriors – On Thursday, October 24, the City of Oakland's Neighborhood Services Division and the Golden State Warriors invite Oakland residents to attend the Oakland Community Night event at the Oracle Arena. When neighbors know each other, neighborhoods are safer. Bring your neighbors, family and friends to cheer on the Warriors as they take on Oakland native Damian Lillard and the Portland Trailblazers. To purchase discounted tickets and avoid taxes, surcharges and fees, visit www.warriors.com/oakland and use the password: WARRIORS. Ticket purchases must be made by Wednesday, October 23. Groups of 15 or more are eligible for additional benefits that include an opportunity to high five the players, stand on the court with the players during the national anthem or sit courtside for pre-game warm-ups. Participants must be between the ages 5 and 18. For more information, please contact Nick Smith at nsmith@warriors.com or (510) 986-2247.

Ready, Set, Connect! Free Computer Help Available at Six Library Locations – Starting on Saturday, October 12, patrons will be able to get free computer help at the Main Library, Asian Branch, César E. Chávez Branch, Dimond Branch, Eastmont Branch and Rockridge Branch during scheduled times. Thanks to a partnership with Community Technology Network, the Oakland Public Library has trained young adults to provide free computer help at these six library locations. This service, part of the Ready, Set, Connect! Program, is available until May 2014. Ready, Set, Connect! is a professional development program designed to help Oakland youth between the ages of 16 and 24 discover the professional skills necessary for technology-focused careers. For a schedule and other details, please visit <http://bit.ly/GAczwU>. For more information, please contact Lana Adlawan, Supervising Librarian, at ladlawan@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7613.

Teen Read Week at the Library – From Sunday, October 13 to Saturday, October 19, the Oakland Public Library is celebrating Teen Read Week with special events and programs aimed at encouraging teens to "Seek the Unknown" at their local library. Teens can participate in a scavenger hunt, create a zine or meet a local author. For details, please visit <http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/teens/events-programs/celebrate-teen-read-week>. For more information, please contact Lana Adlawan, Supervising Librarian, ladlawan@Oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7613.

City Seeks Citizen Input on Council Redistricting – On Thursday, October 3, the Rules and Legislation Committee of the Oakland City Council reviewed the staff report on the Council Redistricting process which began in June. 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>. In July and September, a series of seven Redistricting Town Hall Meetings were held throughout Oakland. The three meetings in July educated the public about Redistricting while the four meetings in September presented 13 proposed maps, including 10 submitted by the public. Public input is encouraged and can be provided by:

- 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>

On Tuesday, October 15, the full City Council will begin holding public hearings to deliberate on the proposed redistricting maps. 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.

Fall Book Sale – From Friday, October 11 to Sunday, October 13, the Friends of the Oakland Public Library's (FOPL) Bookmark Bookstore will hold its semi-annual sale event from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at 721 Washington Street. Shoppers receive 30 percent off all purchases on Friday, and the discount increases by 10 percent each day, up to 50 percent off on Sunday. The discount applies to the already low prices of \$3 to \$6 for most of the 17,000 books in the store. FOPL members are eligible for the "members' first choice" discount of 50 percent on Thursday, October 10. Anyone may join FOPL in person at the store to receive the member discount. In addition to that good feeling that comes from supporting the Oakland Public Library, FOPL members receive 20 percent off their Bookmark Bookstore purchases for the rest of the year. To become a member, visit www.fopl.org or pick up an application at the store. For information, please contact Winifred Walters at wwalters@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6932.

McClymonds Reunion BBQ – On Saturday, September 28, the McClymonds High School Alumni association held their annual BBQ at deFremery Park, located at 16th Street and Adeline in West Oakland. The dusk-to-dawn picnic included live performances, a host of games, entertainment and great food by the school's alumni and their families. More than 1,200 participated in the event. For more information, please contact Valorie Winn, deFremery Recreation Center Director, at vwinn@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7739.

Oakland Raiders Family Day – On Sunday, September 29, the Oakland Raiders teamed up with the Office of Parks and Recreation (OPR) to host Oakland Family Day as the Raiders took on the Washington Redskins. With transportation provided, over 800 participants rode chartered school buses to and from O.co Coliseum where they participated in a Q&A session with Raiders legends. Participants were also treated to a nourishing lunch and were formally introduced to Raider Runner, the Raiders new mascot. Sitting in the stands together, the OPR group cheered on the Silver and Black with great spirit. For more information, please contact Tiffany Millinder, Coordinator, at tmillinder@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3791.

Creek to Bay Day Recap – On Saturday, September 21, more than 1,000 volunteers braved the heavy rain and participated in the 18th annual Creek to Bay Day. Volunteers removed trash and invasive weeds, and planted and restored wild habitat along Oakland's creeks and bay shoreline. For the first time ever, volunteers in kayaks removed trash from San Francisco Bay thereby preventing the trash from drifting out to sea. While results are still coming in, volunteers in Oakland collected over 15,000 pounds of trash and 150 cubic yards of compostable green waste. The 36 locations were the highest number of Creek to Bay Day sites in the history of the event. The success of this ambitious public outreach, engagement and stewardship event is due in no small measure to the smooth coordination and implementation by staff. For additional Oakland results, please visit www.oaklandcreektobayday.org. For statewide results, please visit www.coastal.ca.gov/publiced/media/ccd_2013_preliminary_results.pdf. For more information, please contact Pamela Boyle Rodriquez, Environmental Resources Analyst, at pboylerodriquez@oaklandet.com or (510) 238-6191.

AC Transit To Host Community Meetings On Line 51 Bus Corridor – On Tuesday, October 8 and Thursday, October 10, AC Transit will hold two community meetings to discuss potential improvements to city streets along the AC Transit Line 51 Bus Corridor. The times and locations are:

- Tuesday, October 8, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Oakland City Hall (Hearing Room 4), 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza
- Thursday, October 10, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Rockridge Public Library, 5366 College Avenue

AC Transit has received a \$10 million grant to design and implement infrastructure modifications along the route that would increase reliability and on-time performance, decrease travel time and improve safety for AC Transit riders and pedestrians. Improvements being considered include: Bus stop improvements, relocation or elimination; bus bulbs; intersection and traffic signal improvements; signal timing improvements; shared bus/queue jump lanes; and left turn pockets. AC Transit staff and consultants will give a brief presentation and have displays of preliminary designs for public input and comments. For more information on proposed improvements for this bus corridor, please visit <http://www.actransit.org/planning-focus/projects-in-the-works/projects-in-the-works-4/>. For a flyer on the public meetings, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK043176>. For more information, please contact Wladimir

Wlassowsky, Transportation Services Division Manager, at wlassowsky@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-6383.

North Oakland Senior Center 15th Anniversary Recap – On Wednesday, September 25, seniors from the North Oakland Senior Center (NOSC) welcomed friends, family and neighbors to celebrate the center's 15th anniversary. Joining the festivities were District 1 Councilmember Dan Kalb, former District 1 Councilmember and current Alameda County Superintendent of Schools Sheila Jordan and Sara Bedford, Director of the Department of Human Services. After a 10-minute warm up exercise, about 40 seniors and friends took a walk around the neighborhood, garnering honks and cheers from passersby. Upon returning to the center, walkers received a gift bag and some snacks. Ms. Jordan then shared her memories of the grassroots effort that resulted in the establishment of the senior center. For the rest of the day, NOSC volunteers, members and staff showed off the various programs and activities that have made the center a home away from home for Oakland seniors. For more information, contact Tracy Jensen, Program Analyst, at tjensen@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3434.

Information Memorandums:

The following Information Memorandum was released in the last month.

City of Oakland 2013 Street Improvement Program Update – This is an informational memo related to the City's paving program currently underway throughout the City. <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK043223>

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

Mexica Dance – Mondays, 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.

Guided Walking Tours – Wednesdays and Saturdays 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.

Board Game Days – Wednesdays, 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 or (510) 238-3284.

Jack's Glow and Fire Show – Wednesdays through October 23, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., Jack London Square, Pavilion Stage, foot of Broadway. Experience a fusion of fire dance and flow art with fire hoopers, fire spinners and fire jugglers. For more information, please call (510) 645-9292.

Affordable Health Care Act: Your Questions Answered – Wednesdays 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 or (510) 238-6611.

First Thursday Art Walk – First Thursdays, 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>.

Embrace the Dimond District – Third Thursdays, 5:00 p.m., Dimond Avenue & MacArthur Boulevard. Join friends, family and neighbors to experience the Dimond District. This monthly event, organized by the Dimond Business and Professional Association, has a different theme each month. Enjoy local artists, a fun Kids' Zone and merchant specials. For more information, please visit www.shopdimond.com.

Friday Nights @ OMCA – Fridays, 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 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 – Second Fridays, 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 – Third Fridays, 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 Fridays, 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 – Saturdays, 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.

SFMOMA Acoustic Sound Art Installation Hosted in Ogawa Plaza – Through Sunday, November 17, Various Hours, Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. “Occasional Music,” a sound installation by Oakland-based Zarouhie Abdalian, features brass bells 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 that will sound different each time. The installation is part of SFMOMA On The Go program. The time of the once-a-day pealing of the bells will vary. For more information including the bell-ringing schedule, please visit www.sfmoma.org/secaaward.

“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.

Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk – Friday, October 4, 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.

Sing-along Cinema – Friday, October 4, 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 “Little Shop of Horrors.” Come dressed as the theme of the movie and be prepared to sing with your favorite songs. Costume contest, games, prizes and more. For more information, please visit www.jacklondonsquare.com.

Movies in the Park – Friday, October 4, Dusk, Redwood Heights Recreation Center, 3883 Aliso Avenue. The Movies in the Park series features a free screening of “Goonies.” For more information, please contact Breht Clark, Recreation Center Director, at bclark@oaklandnet.com or (510) 482-7827.

8th Annual Love Your Parks Day Survey – Saturday, October 5, 8:30 a.m. - Noon, Starts at Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue. The Oakland Parks Coalition (OPC) is seeking volunteers for its annual survey. Results from the survey of park conditions are used in the OPC annual report to City Council to assess budgeting for park needs. Each team will survey between three and six parks. High school students are especially welcome and will receive community service credit. For more information, please visit www.oaklandparkscoalition.org.

Health Workshop – Thursday October 5, 10:00 a.m. - Noon, West Oakland Senior Center, 1724 Adeline Street. The workshop will provide information about diabetes, hypertension and high cholesterol. Blood pressure checks will be available. Seniors can ask providers questions about their health. For more information, please contact Dorothy Poston, Senior Center Director, at dposton@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7017.

Oakland Asian Police Officers Association Community Safety and Awareness Fair – Saturday, October 5, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Lincoln Neighborhood Center and Park, 250 Tenth Street. During this free safety fair, you can explore a fire truck, SWAT armored vehicle and OPD's mobile Command Post. See the K-9 Unit. Enjoy a free lunch and basic safety presentations. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at hjoshi@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3131.

Open House – Saturday, October 5, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., MOCHA, 1625 Clay Street. The Museum of Children's Arts has officially opened its new location. Explore the new site and enjoy art-making activities led by MOCHA teaching artists. For more information, please visit www.mocha.org.

39th Annual Black Cowboy Parade and Heritage Festival – Saturday, October 5, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., deFremery Park, 1651 Adeline Street. Highlighting the contributions made by African

American cowboys in the West, the parade and festival provides a day of fun and a taste of the Old West with cowboys, trick riders, food, entertainment, line dancing, pony rides and fun activities for the entire family. For more information, please visit www.blackcowboyassociation.org.

Plant-Powered Health & Fitness Expo – Saturday, October 5, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Kaiser Center Rooftop Garden, 300 Lakeside Drive. Come to Oakland's first and only plant-powered health and fitness expo. Learn from leading experts in rapid weight loss, Cross-Fit, yoga and posture and enjoy delicious healthy food that doesn't taste healthy. This event is ideal for those who are curious about becoming healthier and those who already live active healthy lifestyles. For more information, please visit <http://vegfoodevents.com/health/>.

Oaktobefest in the Dimond – Saturday, October 5, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., MacArthur Boulevard at Fruitvale Avenue. A family friendly street festival with live entertainment, local food and crafts plus tastings of microbrews, wines and root beer. For more information, please visit www.oaktobefest.org.

Do the Write Thing and Publish: A Writers' Seminar – Saturday, October 5, 1:30 p.m., Main Library, 125 14th Street. Join local authors Denise Michelle Harris and Alicia Young for a dynamic, free workshop packed with tips for the aspiring writer. These two award-winning authors will share insights from the worlds of fiction and nonfiction writing as well as traditional and independent publishing. For more information, please contact Christine Saed, Senior Librarian, at csaed@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3841.

19th Annual Sidewalk Fine Art & Crafts Fall Fest – Saturday, October 5 & Sunday, October 6, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturday & 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday, Montclair Village, Mountain Boulevard at LaSalle. This fine art festival will feature paintings, drawings, photography, sculpture, ceramics, graphics, and jewelry. For more information, please visit www.montclairvillage.com.

Sundays in the Redwoods Outdoor Concert Series – Sunday, October 6, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Woodminster Amphitheater, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road. "The Rhythm Section" is the theme for this concert featuring performances by Eric Benet and the Oakland School for the Arts. This concert is sold out. Series concludes on October 13. For more information, visit www.sundaysintheredwoods.com.

Free First Sunday – Sunday, October 6, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. Enjoy free admission to the museum's three permanent galleries as well as special exhibitions. For more information, please visit www.museumca.org.

Rockridge Out & About – Sunday, October 6, Noon - 6:00 p.m., College Avenue between Alcatraz and Kales. Highlights include a chef stage, food courts, the 57th Street Gallery Stage, Musically Minded Academy Stage, Cosmo Jazz Stage, Wellness Area, two Kids' Courts and Artisan Alley featuring handmade arts & crafts from Rockridge and beyond. For more information, please visit www.rockridgeoutandabout.com.

Oakland Community Blood Drive – Wednesday, October 9, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Oakland Police Department Administration Building, 455 7th Street. Help save a life by donating blood. Identification is required to donate. There are two ways to schedule an appointment with the American Red Cross: 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or log on to www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: OPD84.

The Tree of Life and Death: Dias de Los Muertos 2013 – Wednesday, October 9 through Sunday, December 8, Various Hours, Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. The museum's 19th annual Days of the Dead exhibition features installations by guest artists fusing the themes of life, death and remembrance with ecology. Topics explored include empathy, knowledge and habitat and species loss, conservation and restoration. For more information, please visit www.museumca.org.

Fireside Lounge: Curation – Friday, October 11, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., Crucible, 1260 7th Street. In its third 2013 Fireside Lounge, The Crucible examines curation and how art is exhibited. The event examines the function of public spaces, galleries and museums; how art influences each of these spaces; and how these spaces influence art. Also featuring fire performances and live demonstrations in the glass, neon, light and enameling studios. For more information, please visit <http://thecrucible.org>.

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Movies at Studio One – Friday, October 11, 8:15 p.m., Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Enjoy a free screening of "Kiki's Delivery Service." For more information, please call (510) 597-5027.

Congolese Dance & Drum Festival 2013 – Friday, October 11 to Sunday, October 13, Various Performance Times, Malonga Casquelourd Center for the Arts, 1428 Alice Street. Enjoy Central African dance and music from the Congo plus drum and dance workshops at this three-day event. For more information, please call (510) 368-2475.

Fall Book Sale – Friday, October 11 through Sunday, October 13, 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Bookmark Bookstore, 721 Washington Street. The Friends of the Oakland Public Library's semi-annual sale event. Most of the store's 17,000 quality used books, donated by individuals and estates, are regularly priced at \$3 to \$6. Sale discounts are 30 percent off on Friday, 40 percent off on Saturday and 50 percent off on Sunday. For more information, please visit www.fopl.org or www.thebookmarkbookstore.org.

9th Annual Pride Run & Walk – Saturday, October 12, 9:00 a.m., Lakeside Park, 568 Bellevue Avenue. Enjoy the view around the recently renovated and beautiful Lake Merritt for a 10K run, 5K run or 5K walk. Stay afterwards and take in the community spirit and camaraderie of the East Bay's only pride race. Every registered participant will receive a pair of rainbow-colored East Bay Front Runners and Walkers running socks. For more information, please visit <http://www.eastbayfrontrunners.org>.

Annual Picnic & Chili Cook-off – Saturday, October 12, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., 3881 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. The Longfellow Community Association (LCA) holds a community picnic as a way to thank volunteers, welcome new residents and LCA members and strengthen connections with neighbors. This year features the first ever chili cook-off with prizes to the top three winners in three categories: hot, mild and vegetarian. The LCA will provide grills, dogs, veggie dogs, buns, condiments, drinks, picnic ware and grilling accouterments. Attendees are encouraged to bring an item for the grill or a dish to share. For more information, please visit www.longfellowcommunityassociation.org.

Latham Square Grand Opening – Saturday, October 12, 2:00 p.m., Latham Square, Broadway at Telegraph Avenue. The City of Oakland, in partnership with the Downtown Oakland Association and Popuphood, will host a grand opening for the new Latham Square. Enjoy the new plaza, listen to music and shop at several small-scale mobile vending stations. The plaza is a temporary pilot project designed to increase foot traffic and walkability at the intersection of Telegraph and Broadway, and will remain in place for six months to one year. The success of the pilot project will inform permanent improvements to the intersection by the City to create a new public space. In addition, the plaza design incorporates space for mobile vending, offering a chance to pilot retail and complementary event programming to activate the heart of Oakland's downtown. For more information, please visit www.oaklandnet.com/LathamSquare.

Jack of All Trades Market – Saturday, October 12, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Jack London Square, foot of the Broadway. The market will feature a curated mix of local makers, indie designers, antiquers, collectors, artists, start-ups and more brought together by the Treasure Island Flea. This eclectic market will feature one-of-a-kind items, live music and several free D-I-Y workshops for all ages. Visitors can bike, ferry or drive to Jack London Square for the market that will take place on the second Saturday of each month. For more information, please visit www.JackofAllTradesOakland.com.

From Brush Strokes to Key Strokes: Writers of Novels about Art and Artists – Saturday, October 12, 2:00 p.m., Main Library, 125 14th Street. This afternoon of literary discussion includes four Bay Area authors who have grappled with capturing the magic of the visual arts in their writing. The panel will include Mary F. Burns, author of *Portraits of an Artist*, about painter John Singer Sargent; Gayle Feyrer (aka Yves Fey), author of *Floats the Dark Shadow*, a mystery set in Paris during the Belle Époque; Michael Llewellyn, author of *Creole Son*, about Edgar Degas in New Orleans; and Ciji Ware, whose *A Race to Splendor* is a fictionalized account of architect Julia Morgan and the rebuilding of San Francisco's Fairmont Hotel after the 1906 earthquake. Books will be available for sale and signing. For more information, please contact Barbara Bibel, Librarian II, at bbibel@oaklandlibrary.org or (510)238-3138.

Sundays in the Redwoods Outdoor Concert Series – Sunday, October 13, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Woodminster Amphitheater, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road. “Talking All That Jazz” is the theme for this concert featuring performances by Lalah Hathaway and Kindred & The Family Soul. This concert is sold out. For more information, visit www.sundaysintheredwoods.com.

47th Annual Otsukimi Moon Viewing Party – Sunday, October 13, 5:30 - 8:00 p.m., Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue. The Oakland Fukuoka Sister City Association marks October's harvest moon with an event featuring traditional Japanese entertainment, authentic Obento dinners and astronomers with powerful telescopes. The harvest moon is a symbol of blessing and abundance for many cultures, including Japan. The moon viewing parties are occasions for sharing food and stories, while enjoying what is considered the most beautiful moon of the year. For more information, please visit <http://www.oakland-fukuoka.org/>.

Dan Chaon's Stay Awake performed by Word for Word – Tuesday, October 15, 5:00 p.m., Piedmont Avenue Branch Library, 80 Echo Avenue. The Friends of Piedmont Avenue Branch Library are presenting a night of great company, food and a theatrical staging of stories from Dan Chaon's newest collection, *Stay Awake*, performed by Word for Word Performing Arts Company. Dan Chaon is a widely acclaimed writer of haunting, suspenseful stories. In *Stay Awake*, ordinary lives frequently plunge into a psychological shadowland, where characters find themselves in unexpected, dire and sometimes unfathomable situations. Word for Word is a theatrical ensemble that performs original works of literature without changing a word – hence the company's name. Seating is limited. Free tickets are available in advance at the branch (first-come-first serve; limit two per person). For more information, please contact Jenera Burton, Branch Manager, at jburton@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5011.

Meet the Lenders – Wednesday, October 16, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., Hearing Room 3, Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. Any business owner interested in getting a loan will benefit from this panel discussion featuring lenders offering advice pertinent to today's tough lending environment. The event will also provide business owners with an overview of how to get “capital-ready” before approaching lenders to insure a greater chance of success. To register for this free workshop, please visit <http://acsbdc.org/node/19164>. For additional information, please visit www.acsbdc.org.

The Great California ShakeOut – Thursday, October 17, 10:17 a.m., Throughout Oakland. This annual earthquake drill helps people in homes, schools and organizations improve preparedness and practice how to be safe during earthquakes. More than 8.6 million people in California and millions more around the world have registered to participate. To learn more earthquake preparedness tips and to register for the ShakeOut, please visit <http://www.shakeout.org/>.

Author Talk – Thursday, October 17, 1:00 p.m., West Oakland Senior Center, 1724 Adeline Street. Oakland author and activist Jerri Lange will share her experiences as an anchorwoman and reporter. She will also sign copies of her latest book, *Jerri, A Black Woman's Life in the Media*. For more information, please contact Dorothy Poston, Senior Center Director, at dposton@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7017.

East Bay Indie Scream Festival – Thursday, October 17, 7:00 p.m., The New Parish, 579 18th Street. The event celebrates the darker side of independent cinema with a vibrant display of horror, macabre and exploitation shorts. All independent filmmakers with pieces less than two years old are welcome to submit their works for consideration. Take to the Red Carpet, enter the costume contest, enjoy live horror-related performances and watch the screenings and awards presentation with master of ceremonies Jamie DeWolf and Sidney Sin. For more information, please visit www.thenewparish.com.

Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk – Friday, October 18, 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.

Movies in the Park – Friday, October 18, Dusk, Redwood Heights Recreation Center, 3883 Aliso Avenue. The Movies in the Park series features a free screening of “Hotel Transylvania.” For more information, please contact Breht Clark, Recreation Center Director, at bclark@oaklandnet.com or (510) 482-7827.

Autumn Lights Festival – Friday, October 18 and Saturday, October 19, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m., The Gardens at Lake Merritt, 666 Bellevue Avenue. The Gardens at Lake Merritt will be transformed with several acres of garden illuminated with enchanting art installations created by local Bay Area artists. The Gardens, Oakland's hidden jewel, were recently named one of California's Top 5 Gardens by VIA Magazine. Proceeds from this fundraiser 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 and over 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 or (510) 238-3208.

A PEACE of Nature – Saturday, October 19, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Enjoy a trip to Burleigh Murray State Park, in partnership with the State Parks, that features a docent-led tour plus exciting educational programs planned by State Park staffers. The program is designed for adults and children, ages 6 and up. Young children must be accompanied by an adult. The activity fee includes transportation, a t-shirt and park entrance fee. Spaces are limited. For more information, please contact Alethia Walker, Program Director, at walethia@oaklandnet.com or (510) 597-5027.

Learn, Lead, Lift: Community Emergency Preparedness Fair – Saturday, October 19, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 1203 Willow Street. The Oakland Fire Department's Emergency Management Services Division partners with Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church to host a community event featuring fire safety exhibits, emergency preparedness

training, games and prizes. Oakland residents are welcomed to enjoy the fun. To R.S.V.P., please call (510) 238-7044. For more information, please contact Genevieve Pastor-Cohen, Senior Emergency Planning Coordinator, at gpastor-cohen@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-2326.

Classic Car Show – Saturday, October 19, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. Enjoy more than 60 vintage vehicles from the 1920s to 1960s. From car buffs to casual enthusiasts, the waterfront will transform into an auto mecca showcasing rare Model A cars, roadsters, Thunderbirds and more. The Pavilion Stage will also host live music throughout the day. For more information, please call (510) 645-9292.

A Taste of Oakland: Uptown Block Party – Saturday, October 19, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m., Various Venues. A sampling of Uptown's restaurants, bars and retail spaces that are putting Oakland on the culinary and cultural map. For more information, please visit www.atasteofOakland.com.

East Bay Mini Maker Faire 2013 – Sunday, October 20, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Park Day School, 360 42nd Street and Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Celebrate learning and doing at this event with both established and emerging local Makers. This family friendly event will feature rockets and robots, digital fabrication, DIY science and technology, urban farming, alternative energy, unique handmade crafts, music, local food and educational workshops. For more information, please visit www.ebmakerfaire.com.

Splash Pad 10th Anniversary Celebration – Sunday, October 20, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Splash Pad Park, Lake Park at Grand Avenue. This free Oak-centric concert and community festival will feature five Oakland-based bands, a beer and wine garden offering Linden Street beer and Periscope wine, kids' activities and information tables by Grand Lake area community groups including NCPC's and the Lakeshore and Grand Avenues business associations. For additional event details, please visit www.splashpad.org/10thAnniversary.html. For more information, please contact Ken Katz at ken@katzpjs.com or (510) 451-6537.

Flourish Oakland – Sunday, October 20, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., MUA Restaurant, 2442 Webster Street. An evening event of food, wine and art to benefit Oakland Art Murmur. Help Art and Oakland flourish by attending, bidding in the silent auction, watching artists in action, purchasing raffle tickets and celebrating the arts. For more information, please visit <http://oaklandartmurmur.org/flourish/>.

Estate Planning Class – Thursday, October 24, 10:00 a.m., West Oakland Senior Center, 1724 Adeline Street. Seniors can obtain information about estate planning during this event sponsored by the Alameda County Commission on Aging. For more information, please contact Dorothy Poston, Senior Center Director, at dposton@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7017.

The Artists Are Present – Friday, October 25, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Pro Arts, 150 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. Pro Arts' fall fundraiser sets the stage for interactions with artists. Enjoy an open bar, tasty treats, music by DJ Eric Rukis and mingling with artists. For more information, please visit www.proartsgallery.org.

Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk – Friday, October 25, 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, October 25, 8:15 p.m., Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Enjoy a free screening of “Paranorman.” For more information, please call (510) 597-5027.

Laurel Outdoor Movie Series – Saturday, October 26, 8:00 p.m., Ace Hardware Parking Lot, 4024 MacArthur Boulevard. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and warm clothes and enjoy free screenings of “Nightmare Before Christmas” and “Shaun of the Dead.” For more information, please visit www.laureldistrictassociation.org.

19th Annual Days of the Dead Community Celebration – Sunday, October 27, Noon - 4:30 p.m., Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. Craft activities, tasty food, dance and music groups, colorful ofrendas and ceremonia bring the community together for this healing tradition. Watch demonstrations of traditional Mesoamerican arts and cooking and buy goods made by local artisans at the Mercado. For more information, please visit www.museumca.org.

Respectfully submitted,

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