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MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR &
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Fred Blackwell

SUBJECT: City Administrator's Weekly Report

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INFORMATION

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

Upcoming Holiday Closure – On Monday, May 26, City of Oakland administrative offices will be closed in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday. Police, fire and emergency services are not affected during holiday closures. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK047370>.

City Leaders Sign Affiliation Agreement with Peralta Community College District – On Monday, May 19, Mayor Jean Quan, Oakland Police Chief Sean Whent, Peralta Community College District Chancellor José M. Ortiz, Merritt College Vice President of Instruction Elmer A. Bugg and Margaret Dixon, Merritt College Legal Administration Department Chair, gathered at the signing of an affiliation agreement between the City of Oakland and Peralta Community College District. This historic agreement establishes a connection between the District and the Oakland Police Department whereby the District will offer educational courses and a curriculum to meet the public safety training needs of the City. The City and the District will maintain this program of public safety training, fully accredited under state law, to train candidates for careers in public safety for the City of Oakland. The agreement establishes a gateway program that will enable local residents who are attending Merritt College to enter a career in law enforcement and begin to serve their community. OPD recruits will earn 40 hours of college credit as they take the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) accredited courses offered through the affiliation agreement. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at hjoshi@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3131.

35th Citizens' Police Academy Graduates – On Monday, May 19, the 23 members of the 35th Citizens' Police Academy celebrated their graduation at the Eastmont Substation. Police Chief Sean Whent, Deputy Chief Eric Breshears and Deputy Chief Danielle Outlaw acknowledged the class and congratulated the graduates on their accomplishment. When asked what made this class unique, Neighborhood Service Coordinator and academy organizer Ana Martinez noted that many of the students were affiliated with nonprofits, including Youth Alive, McCullum Youth Court, the Unity Council, the NAACP and the Citizens' Police Review Board. Congratulations to

the graduates. To view photos of the celebration, please visit OPD's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Oakland-Police-Department-Oakland-CA/391011254354978>. For more information, please contact Ana Martinez, Neighborhood Services Coordinator, at amartinez@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7683.

HRM Staff Volunteer In The Community – On Monday, May 12, four managers from the Human Resources Management Department (HRM) volunteered at the annual African American Honor Roll Celebration. The event was a celebration of the scholastic achievements of over 1,000 African American students in the presence of family, friends and school officials. This is a fine example of volunteerism in our community and shows how the City can partner with the Oakland Unified School District to create a better community. For more information, please contact Anil Comelo, Human Resources Management Director, at acomelo@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-6450.

Public Works Staff Recognized – The week of May 18 was National Public Works Week and Oakland Public Works Department carried on this year's theme of "Building for Today, Planning for Tomorrow" through an informative display in the lobby of the Dalziel Building and an Employee Recognition Event. During the event, Employees of the Year from each bureau and one overall for the whole department were recognized. In addition to individual recognition, there were also several teams recognized. Employees of the Year included:

- Department Employee of the Year: Rafal Szymczak, Equipment Parts Technician in the Bureau of Infrastructure and Operations, was recognized for his performance beyond any and all expectations. He kept the parts room going despite staffing shortfalls, which enabled continued maintenance of the City fleet including vehicles used by the Police, Fire and Public Works departments.
- Bureau Employee of the Year: Rosalie Villaluz, Accountant III in the Bureau of Administration, was recognized for her incredible work ethic and caring and compassion for her coworkers.
- Bureau Employee of the Year: Ed McNair, Construction Inspector in the Bureau of Engineering and Construction, was honored for being an invaluable asset to the City and Public Works.
- Bureau Employee of the Year: Chris Staller, Administrative Assistant II in the Bureau of Facilities and Environment, was recognized for consistently demonstrating an exemplary work ethic, follow-through and dedication to providing excellent customer service.

Teams of the Year that were recognized included:

- Overall Team Winner: The Public Works Call Center has had a 50% increase in volume since 2011, 86% of which is due to SeeClickFix. The Call Center is the "front door" to the entire department and other departments and outside agencies. The center staff handle all types of calls including many complex matters in a highly professional manner, day in and day out.
- November 21st Windstorm Response: In response to tree-related calls due to the windstorm, crews from Trees, Parks and Keep Oakland Clean and Beautiful completed 350 service requests requiring 1,200 hours of staff time. Staff removed over 900 cubic yards of organic debris from the streets. The team also included Administration staffers

Kristine Shaff, who handled media, and John McCabe, who assisted with mapping of incidents. Susan Kattchee, Acting Assistant Director, and Mike Neary, then-acting director, led the charge to bring the city back to normal.

- **Sewer Team:** This team includes the Sewer Maintenance staff and the Engineering Staff that led the effort on the negotiations with the EPA. The Information Management Team, including John McCabe and Eddie Dunbar, were critical in providing data and analysis. Tom Morgan and Nila Wong provided invaluable financial information. Sewer Maintenance improved production on cleaning, inspecting and repairing the sewer system infrastructure, resulting in reduced overflows. The engineers' work on the project design improved the sewer system and helped Public Works stay in compliance with the state and federal mandates.
- **Illegal Dumping Removal:** In 2013, the 37-member Illegal Dumping unit handled 18,000 service requests resulting in the removal of 2,500 ton of debris. This represents a 36% increase from 2012. This group worked closely with the Office of the City Attorney, Office of the City Administrator, the Human Services Department, community groups and individuals to address not only abatement, but mitigation and enforcement actions. They have recently created several outreach flyers to assist the community in addressing the serious issue of illegal dumping.

To read the release on National Public Works Week, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK047293>. For more information, please contact Kristine Shaff, Public Information Officer, at kshaff@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-2966.

An Intimate Evening – On Saturday, July 26, Oakland Parks and Recreation (OPR) will hold the 7th annual “An Intimate Evening” fundraiser event. Enjoy live music, fine cuisine & wine, carriage rides, a martini lounge, community recognition awards and vintage car displays. The musical entertainment will feature performances by Martin Luther, Ric Alexander, Funky Latin Orchestra, Soul Rebels DJs, K “Brick”, Destiny Muhammad Jazz Trio and Danielle Dubois Flax. Revelers are encouraged to wear all white attire for this festive evening. This fundraiser event will be held at the Dunsmuir-Hellman Historic Estate, 2960 Peralta Oaks Court, from 6:00 to 11:00 p.m. Admission includes all food & wine tasting from OPR preferred & approved caterers. General admission ticket prices increase closer to event date. All funds raised through this event will aid in the expansion of program offerings to ensure educationally enriching social activities for Oakland's at-risk youth and community. Avoid the ticket price increase by purchasing tickets today at www.AnIntimateEvening.com. For more information, please contact Tiffany Millinder, Assistant to Director, at tmillinder@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3791.

National Day Of Civic Hacking – On Saturday, May 31, Oakland's vibrant tech community will join with residents and staff from the City of Oakland and local nonprofits for a write-a-thon for Oakland Answers. The event, which runs from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., will be held at Impact Hub Oakland, 2323 Broadway. Oakland Answers offers concise, easy-to-understand answers to common questions about City services and programs. Participants will brainstorm new questions that residents have for local government and then develop clear, human-centered answers. The event continues the partnership the City of Oakland has with Code for America and Open Oakland. While the event is free, advance registration is required at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/oakland-answers-2014-tickets-11482615813>. No tech skills are

needed. Lunch will be provided. For more information, please contact Mai-Ling Garcia, Online Engagement Manager, at mgarcia@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-2105.

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.

Board Game Days – Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.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.

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>.

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.

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>.

Free Telescope Viewing – Fridays & Saturdays year-round, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., Chabot Space & Science Center, 10000 Skyline Boulevard. Visitors experience spectacular night sky viewing – weather permitting – through one of the center's telescopes thanks to the volunteers of the East Bay Astronomical Society. Use the outside gate around the back of the center and follow the signs to the observatory entrance gate. For more information, please visit, www.chabotspace.org/observatories.htm.

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.

Adult Sports Bowling League – Wednesdays through May 28, AMF South Shore Lanes, 300 Park Street, Alameda. Oakland Parks & Recreation hosts this fun league. Registration rates include bowling fees, shoes and bowling balls. For more information, please contact Renee Tucker, Recreation Leader II, at (510) 238-2952.

Ready, Set, Connect! Free Computer Help Available At Six Library Locations – Through May, Various Times, Main Library, Asian Branch, César E. Chávez Branch, Dimond Branch, Eastmont Branch and Rockridge Branch. Patrons will be able to get free computer help at 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. 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.

Youth Club – Saturdays through May 31, 2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Peralta Hacienda Historical Park, 2465 34th Avenue. For ages 5 to 15, this free youth club includes activities like organic cooking & gardening, hands-on history activities, arts & crafts and environmental education. For more information, please visit www.peraltahacienda.org or call (510) 532-9142.

Early Bird Tickets For Sundays In The Redwoods – Through Saturday, May 31. Discounted tickets for the Sundays in The Redwoods Concert Series are available at www.SundaysInTheRedwoods.com. The 2014 series runs every Sunday from September 21 to October 12. The concerts will be held at the Woodminster Amphitheater in Joaquin Miller Park, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road. Regular price tickets and talent line up will be released on Sunday, June 1. For more information, please call (510) 238-3052.

Take The Oakland Public Library's Survey – Through Saturday, May 31. The Oakland Public Library is soliciting input from the public through an easy-to-complete online survey at <http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/survey2014>. Paper copies of the survey are available all library locations. For more information, please contact Sharon McKellar, Community Relations Librarian, at smckellar@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3513.

OPL Fundraiser At Fentons – Through Saturday, May 31, various hours, Fentons Creamery, 4226 Piedmont Avenue. The ice cream shop will donate 25% of each "Myrtle's Monthly Creation" Oreo sundae to the Friends of the Oakland Public Library. Proceeds benefit the Oakland Public Library's Children's Literacy Programming Fund. For more information, please contact Winifred Walters at wwalters@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6932.

Pre-K Play: Parent-Toddler Playgroups – Wednesdays and Fridays through June 6, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Tassafaronga Recreation Center, 975 85th Avenue and Willie Keyes Recreation Center, 3131 Union Street. Toddlers up to age 5 and their parents/caregivers are invited to come out and participate in arts & crafts, music, story time with the Oakland Public Library, gardening, Magic Movement Company, parent support & education, field trips to favorite local destinations and other fun-filled activities. Free healthy snacks will be provided. For more information, please contact Erin Burton, ADA/Inclusion Services, at eburton@oaklandnet.com or (510) 615-5980/(510) 867-0732 (Habla Espanol).

Aging In The Arts Exhibit – Through Friday, June 6, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Wilson Building Lobby, 150 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. The Human Services Department hosts an art exhibit in celebration of Older Americans Month. The theme of the exhibit "Aging In The Arts" highlights the Collage In Home Art Project: "Our Clients Ourselves" where volunteers from the Aging & Adult Services Division's Senior Companion/Foster Grandparent Program created these pieces with their clients. "Aging in the Arts" is a partnership effort presenting master class artists and photographers from the Oakland Art Association and Oakland Parks & Recreation's Malonga Center for the Arts. An recognition event for program volunteers and exhibit artists will be held on Friday, June 6 from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., at 150 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. For more information, please contact Andrea Turner, Senior Services Supervisor, at aturner@oaklandnet.com or 510-238-2987.

Ira Jinkins Basketball Clinics – Saturdays through June 7, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m., Ira Jinkins Recreation Center, 9175 Edes Avenue. The clinic teaches the fundamentals of basketball, including dribbling, passing, shooting and teamwork. The clinics are free to youth, ages 5 to 16. A parent or guardian must come into the facility to complete the required registration forms and waivers. For more information, please contact Donte Watson, Recreation Center Director, at (510) 615-5959.

Ira Jinkins Spring Soccer Clinic – Saturdays through June 7, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Ira Jinkins Recreation Center, 9175 Edes Avenue. The clinic teaches the basics of soccer and the meaning of sportsmanship. Participants will play on a team and build their endurance through drills and running while having the opportunity to test their skills through competitive games. Cost for program is \$35 or \$9 per session. Tiny tot program is for youth, ages 3 to 5. A parent or guardian must come into the facility to complete the required registration forms and waivers. For more information, please contact Donte Watson, Recreation Center Director, at (510) 615-5959.

Googie and Friends Fundraiser Golf Tournament Registration – Through Friday, August 1. Golf players can register for the 10th Annual Googie and Friends Fundraiser Golf Tournament in partnership with the City of Oakland Parks & Recreation and Vice Mayor Larry Reid. The tournament will be held on August 11 at the Metropolitan Golf Links, 10051 Doolittle Drive. Teams registered by July 1 will receive one dozen Titlist ProV1s at check-in. Proceeds from the tournament fund junior golf programs in Oakland, reaching over 2,000 youth per year. For additional details and to register, please visit www.playmetro.com/googie. For more information, please contact Preston Pinkney, Recreation Specialist PPT, at ppinkney@oaklandnet.com or (510) 351-0391.

National Public Parks Tennis Championship Registration – Through Wednesday, August 6, tennis players can register for the United States Tennis Association (USTA) National Public Parks Tennis Championship. The championship will be held on August 16 to 24 at Oakland's Davie Tennis Stadium, 198 Oak Road. The City of Oakland and the Davie Tennis Stadium are the first Northern California site selected to host this prestigious event in its 88-year history. The championship includes multiple divisions including NTRP, Open, Senior, Family, Junior and Wheelchair. Sponsorship and volunteer opportunities for the event are available. For additional details and to register, please visit www.npptc2014.com. For more information, please contact Marc Weistein, Program Director, at (510) 444-5663.

Adult Sailing Classes On Lake Merritt – Weekends through Sunday, August 17, 10:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Lake Merritt Boating Center, 568 Bellevue Avenue. For ages 16 and up, the Basic, Solo, and Advanced Small Boat Sailing classes cover everything from how to get into the boat to racing techniques and dry capsizing skills. Graduates can return to rent boats on their own on Lake Merritt. Visit www.sailoakland.com for the detailed schedule. For more information, please contact Sarah Herbelin, Recreation Supervisor, at sherbelin@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-2196.

Bites Off Broadway – Fridays through October 10, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. This is a low-key food truck gathering featuring affordable and delicious food from rotating trucks. Family fun will include hula hooping, live music and movies at dusk. For more information, please visit www.facebook.com/bitesoff.

“What I Hear, I Keep: Stories From Oakland's Griots” – Wednesdays to Saturdays through 2014, 2:30 - 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, May 23, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., At Thy Word, 8915 International Boulevard. The City of Oakland and local faith-based organizations are continuing neighborhood Night Walks on Fridays as a way community members can get involved in Operation Ceasefire. These walks are organized by residents and faith leaders in areas where Ceasefire is focused. Volunteers are trained in advance and are accompanied by other volunteers for the duration of the walk. The purpose of the Night Walk is to reach out to communities affected by violence. For more information, please call (510) 639-1440 or email fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com.

Urban Homesteading: Heirloom Skills for Sustainable Living – Saturday, May 24, 11:00 a.m., César E. Chávez Branch Library, 3301 East 12th Street, Suite 271. Rachel Kaplan, lead author of *Urban Homesteading: Heirloom Skills for Sustainable Living*, will share her personal experiences with urban homesteading and broaden the discussion to the worldwide movement. She will discuss food growing, animal tending, bee-keeping, seed saving, water and energy conservation, kitchen skilling, medicine making, urban permaculture and the work of building a

resilient community. For more information, please contact Peter Villasenor, Branch Manager, at pvillasenor@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 535-5620.

Eastlake Music Festival – Saturday, May 24, Noon - 7:00 p.m., Lake Merritt Boulevard Amphitheatre and Henry J. Kaiser Convention Center Lot, 10 Tenth Street. This free festival celebrates independent art, music and culture with a more than a dozen musical acts and dance troupes. Enjoy indie arts & crafts, microbreweries and food trucks. Evening activities continue after the festival at restaurants in the Eastlake neighborhood. For more information, please visit www.eastlakemusicfestival.org.

Author Talk: A Biography of Jerry Brown – Saturday, May 24, 2:00 p.m., Main Library, Bradley Walters Community Room, 125 14th Street. California's current governor – and Oakland's former mayor – has led an eventful life, to say the least. In *Trailblazer*, the first biography of Edmund Gerald "Jerry" Brown, Jr. in more than 30 years, author Chuck McFadden is not lacking for interesting material. His biography covers the terms as governor, the presidential runs and the terms as Oakland's mayor, along with Brown's personal life. Mr. McFadden, a longtime political reporter for the Associated Press, will discuss how he traced the moving shadows of "Governor Moonbeam" in this well-informed portrait. For more information, please contact Christine Saed, Senior Librarian, at csaed@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3841.

Meet Children's Author Yuyi Morales At The Library – Tuesday, May 27, 6:00 p.m., at César E. Chávez Branch, 3301 East 12th Street. Yuyi Morales is an award-winning author and illustrator whose books include *Niño Wrestles the World*, *Just in Case*, *Little Night/Nochecita* and *Just a Minute: A Trickster Tale and Counting Book*. Born and raised in Mexico, she has been a children's book creator since migrating to the U.S. in 1994. Yuyi will read her work, and talk about her personal history and Mexican children's folklore. She will be available to answer questions, and to autograph books, which will be for sale at the event. Although the library is closed for Memorial Day on May 27, it will open just for this event. For more information, please Contact Nina Lindsay, Supervising Librarian, at nlindsay@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6706.

CORE III Class B: Emergency Response Skills Training – Wednesday, May 28, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Patten University, 2433 Coolidge Avenue. CORE III Class B will feature classroom-style instruction about Disaster First Aid and triage. CORE (Communities of Oakland Respond to Emergencies) provides free emergency preparedness training for individuals, neighborhood groups and community-based organizations in Oakland. CORE teaches self-reliance skills and helps neighborhoods establish response teams to take care of the neighborhood after a disaster until professional help arrives. CORE is a program of the Oakland Fire Department's Emergency Management Services Division (EMSD). Prerequisite: completion of CORE III Class A. For more information or to register for the CORE classes, please visit www.oaklandcore.org or call (510) 238-6351.

Upper Broadway Pedestrian/Bike/Roadway Improvement Project Community Meeting – Thursday, May 29, 7:00 p.m., Rockridge Branch Library, 5366 College Avenue. The City of Oakland's Public Works Department will present the proposed project, which is envisioned to improve roadway safety, improve pedestrian crossing access and include bike facilities on-street

(lanes). For more information, please contact Victoria Eisen, the City's Caldecott projects consultant, at victoria@eisenletunic.com or (510) 525-0220.

Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines To Healing Night Walk – Friday, May 30, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., St. Louis Bertrand, 1410 100th 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.

8th Annual Oakland Indie Awards – Friday, May 30, 6:30 - 10:30 p.m., Kaiser Center Roof Garden, 200 Lakeside Drive. The Oakland Indie Awards honor Oakland-based businesses and artists for supporting the local economy and helping to keep Oakland thriving. This year's Indie Awards will include an array of local restaurants, wineries and breweries, as well as over 50 local businesses showcasing their wares in the Indies Marketplace. Performances include Los Rakas, Alta California, Aisha Fukushima, Sambafunk! Carnival Explosion with King Theo and many more. For more information, please visit www.oaklandindieawards.com.

Math and Science Booth Camp – Saturday, May 31, 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., DeVry University – Oakland Campus, 505 14th Street. Students in grades 8-12 as well as their parents and educators are invited to this event to prepare students to become college and career ready in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). The workshops will equip students with strategies and tools to be prepared to major in a STEM discipline in college and pursue a STEM career. The workshops for parents and educators will teach them how to support their students' efforts to become college and career ready in STEM. In addition to the workshop, there will be a resource fair with organizations in which students can learn about STEM careers and the college application/financial aid process. Lunch is included. Attendees must pre-register by May 28 at <http://sfstembootcamp.eventbrite.com>.

Rotary Nature Center's Oakland Nature Club - Saturday, May 31, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m., Rotary Nature Center, 600 Bellevue Avenue. Children, ages 5 - 13, are invited to join the Rotary Nature Center and the Alameda County Beekeeper's Association for this month's Oakland Nature Club. Discover and learn all about the world of honey bees: queens, drones and workers; pollinating plants; honey creation and more. Cost is \$5. For more information, please contact Alexa Fulper, Recreation Leader II, at afulper@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3739.

Rancho Day – Saturday, May 31, 2:30 - 5:00 p.m., Peralta Hacienda Historical Park, 2465 34th Avenue. Participate in the Peralta Rancho Life activities during Saturday Youth Club. For more information, please visit www.peraltahacienda.org.

Mayor's Town Hall Meeting For Spanish Speakers – Saturday, June 1, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., St. Anthony's Church, 1536 16th Avenue. Join Mayor Jean Quan, Police Chief Sean Whent and OUSD Superintendent Gary Yee in a conversation on Public Safety in Oakland. Over the last year, Oakland has been transforming its police services by creating neighborhood-level

geographic accountability, implementing Ceasefire and hiring more officers. The next phase of Public Safety planning begins now with a series of town hall meetings in each Police Area to gather community feedback and work together to grow police-community collaboration. Key topics will include how we strengthen community policing, how we can work with our schools and how we can improve employment opportunities. The town hall meetings are open to all members of our community, regardless of which Police Area they reside or work in. Free childcare will be provided. To view a flyer with all of the meeting dates, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK045751>. For more information, please contact Joe DeVries, Assistant to the City Administrator, at jdevries@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3083.

Healthy Living For Seniors – Tuesday, June 3, 10:30 a.m. - Noon, North Oakland Senior Center, 5714 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. The UC Cooperative Extension will provide information about nutrition, exercise and health at these events held the first Tuesday of each month. There will be healthy cooking demonstrations, low-cost recipes and gifts including measuring spoons and reusable grocery bags. For more information, please contact Mary Norton, Center Director, at mnorton@oaklandnet.com or (510) 597-5085.

Oakland Leaders Self-Care And Resiliency Workshop – Thursday, June 5 & Friday, June 6, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., First Unitarian Church's Wendte Hall, 685 14th Street. Community leaders are invited to attend a highly interactive workshop to learn how to use simple self-care resilience skills to increase their capacity to cope with ongoing life and work-related stresses to enhance personal and collective well-being. A special emphasis is in building resilience for the acute and chronic adversities resulting from climate change. Skills learned can enhance one's resilience to all types of challenges. To register, please visit <http://www.theresourceinnovationgroup.org/oakland-resilience>. For more information, please contact Genevieve Pastor-Cohen, Senior Emergency Planning Coordinator, at gpastor-cohen@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-2326.

Jack's Night Market – Friday, June 6, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m., Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. Enjoy an eclectic mix of local artisans, fine crafts, food and drinks. From quirky street performers to local fruit purveyors, this vibrant outdoor bazaar offers something for everyone. For more information, please visit www.jacklondonsquare.com.

Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines To Healing Night Walk – Friday, June 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.

Dancing Under The Stars – Fridays from June 6 to August 29, 8:30 - 10:00 p.m., Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. From experienced dancers to newbies, everyone can kick-up their heels and enjoy free dance lessons followed by a free dance party. Each Friday will have a different dance theme. For more information, please visit www.jacklondonsquare.com.

East Bay Open Studios – Saturday, June 7 & Sunday, June 8, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Locations throughout Oakland. East Bay Open Studios offers an awesome opportunity for art fans of all ages to meet artists, discover new neighborhoods and purchase affordable art. This year, on June 7 & 8 and June 14 & 15, more than 400 hundred artists open their studios to art adventurers across the East Bay. For more information including a directory of participating studios, please visit www.proartsgallery.org.

Architecture Tours of OMCA – Sundays in June, 1:00 p.m., Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. The members of the museum's Council on Architecture will lead weekly tours of the remarkable mid-century modern landmark building. For more information, please visit www.museumca.org.

12th Annual BALLE Conference – Wednesday, June 11 to Friday, June 13, Various Hours, Scottish Rite Center, 1547 Lakeside Drive. Hosted by the Sustainable Business Alliance/Oakland Grown with support from the City of Oakland, the 12th Annual BALLE Conference will bring hundreds of thought leaders to Oakland to dive deep into the most energized issues in the Localist movement today. Join in this conversation, and help create a new economy with a living and breathing heart of justice at its center, something BALLE calls *Prosperity for All*. Speakers will explore the challenges, emerging trends, opportunities and ways to rebuild our economic system in six critical areas: Finance for Resilient Local Economies; Ecosystems for Community Entrepreneurship; Leadership Development for a New Economy; a Localist Policy Agenda; the New Food Economy and the Future of Ownership. For more information, please visit <http://bealocalist.org/2014-conference>.

Waterfront Flicks – Thursday, June 12, Sundown, Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. Movie goers can cozy up to the waterfront for free outdoor screenings. This evening's movie is "Gravity." For more information, please visit www.jacklondonsquare.com.

Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines To Healing Night Walk – Friday, June 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.

Mayor's Town Hall Meeting In Police Area 2 – Saturday, June 14, 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., North Oakland Senior Center, 5714 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. Join Mayor Jean Quan, Police Chief Sean Whent and OUSD Superintendent Gary Yee in a conversation on Public Safety in Oakland. Over the last year, Oakland has been transforming its police services by creating neighborhood-level geographic accountability, implementing Ceasefire and hiring more officers. The next phase of Public Safety planning begins now with a series of town hall meetings in each Police Area to gather community feedback and work together to grow police-community collaboration. Key topics will include how we strengthen community policing, how we can work

with our schools and how we can improve employment opportunities. The town hall meetings are open to all members of our community, regardless of which Police Area they reside or work in. Free childcare will be provided. To view a flyer with all of the meeting dates, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK045751>. For more information, please contact Joe DeVries, Assistant to the City Administrator, at jdevries@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3083.

Jack Of All Trades Market – Saturday, June 14, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. A curated mix of local makers, indie designers, antiquers, collectors, artists, start-ups and more participate in this eclectic market featuring one-of-a-kind items, live music and several free DIY workshops for all ages. For more information, please visit www.jackofalltradesoakland.com.

East Bay Open Studios – Saturday, June 14 & Sunday, June 15, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Locations throughout Oakland. East Bay Open Studios offers an awesome opportunity for art fans of all ages to meet artists, discover new neighborhoods and purchase affordable art. More than 400 hundred artists open their studios to art adventurers across the East Bay. For more information including a directory of participating studios, please visit www.proartsgallery.org.

Father's Day Cruise – Friday, June 15, Noon - 3:00 p.m., Presidential Yacht Potomac, 540 Water Street. Treat Dad to a special day out on the water with a delicious lunch and hosted wine bar while cruising around the Bay. For more information, please call (510) 627-1215.

Dads And Jazz – Sunday, June 15, 2:00 - 6:00 p.m., Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate, 2960 Peralta Oaks Court. Celebrate Father's Day with the smooth sounds of jazz. For tickets and more information, please visit www.dunsmuir-hellman.com or call (510) 615-5555.

Homebuyer Education Workshop – Wednesday, June 18, 6:00 - 8:30 p.m., Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. This two-night workshop will cover the overall home-buying process from how to go about getting financing, types of properties buyers may want to consider including "Affordable Housing"(also known as Below Market Rate or BMR's) and working with lenders and realtors. Presenters will also discuss local homebuyer assistance programs for low- and moderate-income buyers. At the end of the second night, certificates of completion will be issued. The certificate satisfies the education requirement of the City-sponsored housing assistance programs. For more information, please call (510) 238-7486 or visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Government/o/hcd/s/HousingResources/index.htm>.

Elder Abuse Workshop – Thursday, June 19, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m., North Oakland Senior Center, 5714 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. June is National Elder Abuse Awareness Month and the North Oakland Senior Center is pleased to host a very important workshop on elder abuse. The workshop is sponsored by the District Attorney's Office on Elder Protection. To R.S.V.P., please call (510) 597-5085. For more information, please contact District Attorney Cheryl Poncini at cheryl.poncini@acgov.org.

Respectfully submitted,
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