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MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR &
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Sabrina B. Landreth

SUBJECT: City Administrator's Weekly Report

DATE: May 17, 2019

INFORMATION

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

Upcoming City of Oakland Job Announcements – For the most up-to-date information on City jobs, please view the Employment Information page on our website at <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/oaklandca/default.cfm>. The Employment Information page also contains information on minimum qualifications of specific job classifications, how to apply for a job on-line and how to submit a job interest card for positions not currently posted. For more information, please contact the Human Resources Management Receptionist at (510) 238-3112.

Free Downtown Walking Tours Offer Glimpse of Oakland's History – Through October, free 90-minute walking tours of downtown will be offered every Wednesday and Saturday. Eight different tour itineraries let residents and visitors glimpse both today's happening scene and landmarks from Oakland's past by showcasing the city's changing skyline, landmarks, churches and high-rises. Each tour, led by a volunteer guide, begins at 10:00 a.m. from various starting locations depending on the itinerary. The six-month-long Oakland Tours season ensures ample opportunity to take in each of the eight tour itineraries. Reservations are recommended by leaving a message on the Tours' 24-hour hotline at (510) 238-3234 or via email to aallen@oaklandca.gov. The tour brochure, itinerary descriptions, dates and starting locations are available at www.oaklandca.gov/walkingtours. [Read the media release](#). For more information, please contact Annalee Allen, Tours Coordinator, at aallen@oaklandca.gov or (510) 238-3234.

Celebrate Oakland at Free Neighborhood Festival on San Pablo Avenue – On Saturday, June 1, join in the fun at Celebrate Oakland – San Pablo Avenue from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This free event will feature live music, spoken word, a community resource fair, Oakland A's interactive zone, health & wellness activities and lots more. The neighborhood celebration marks the grand opening of [Community Foods Market](#), a much-anticipated, full-service grocery store in West Oakland. Improving Oaklanders' access to daily needs – including affordable, healthy food – is

one of the retail goals of the City's adopted [Economic Development Strategy](#). To learn more about the festival, please visit www.celebrateoakland.com.

OPRYD Town Camp – Oakland Parks, Recreation, and Youth Development (OPRYD) is excited to announce the return of Town Camp: the Oakland youth summer experience. Town Camp offers Oakland youth an opportunity to learn leadership skills and develop self-confidence in a safe and inclusive environment. Each week of camp has an exciting theme including activities such as swimming, field trips, crafts, games, and cooking projects. Our “Reading is Fun” and “Math Power Hour” return as positive skills reinforcement. To register please visit <https://tinyurl.com/ybkwmrxh>

Town Camp Weekly Theme Schedule:

Week 1 | June 10-14: International Discovery

Take a trip around the world in one week of Town Camp! Eat, play, and say hello like children from all over the world. Activities include making a totem pole, celebrating Japanese Children's Day, cooking breakfast sushi and eating with chopsticks, and writing your name in Egyptian hieroglyphs.

Week 2 | June 17 – 21: Urban Nature

Oakland has some of the most incredible nature right in the middle of the city! Our adventures will explore the animal and plant biology and ecologies that mother nature offers all around us. Go on a Fibonacci hunt to find the mathematical sequences that nature uses. Print pictures with the sun. Help plant a garden in your park or bring the gardens indoors. Eat Snails! On Friday campers explore Lake Merritt and the country's oldest Wildlife Refuge.

Week 3 | June 24 – 28: Bay Area Explores

This week campers will come face to face with elephants at the Oakland Zoo, watch flicks at the historic Grand Lake Theater or take a trip to Fenton's for ice cream as they explore all over Oakland's backyard!

Week 4 | July 1 – 5: Sports and Safety

Campers learn about sportsmanship and sports safety while playing a variety of sports, including Basketball, T-Ball, Soccer, Track & Field, and many fun games like, Steal the Bacon, Dragon's Jewels, Capture the Flag and more. Special guests for join us from the Oakland Fire Department and Oakland Police Department. No camp on July 4th. The week concludes with exclusive access to the Oakland Coliseum for a behind the scene tour and fun on the field with the Oakland Athletics.

Week 5 | July 8 – 12: Health & Wellness

Ready! Set! Go! This fun-filled week will keep campers moving, as they explore new ways to stay fit, healthy and try nutritional foods; from yoga, soccer, dance, and group games, to a cooking

class. The weekends in celebration at the second annual Camp Olympics at Arroyo Viejo Park where campers represent their recreation center by competing in silly games.

Week 6 | July 15 – 19: Community Reinvestment

The importance of volunteerism, stewardship and financial literacy is emphasized as campers spend the week making a positive impact on their community. Make a piggy bank, create a care packet for the homeless, and complete a neighborhood service project. Campers are rewarded for their stewardship with a special swim day at Cull Canyon Lake at the end of the week.

Week 7 | July 22 – 26: Arts – N – Expression

A jam-packed week of art, drama and dance workshops designed for creative exploration. Campers spend the week turning their stories into working scripts, writing dialogue, developing characters, and choreographing simple movements as well as learn basic set design. Family and Friends are invited to a special event on Friday produced and performed by campers.

Week 8 | July 29 – Aug 2: Berkeley Lab Science

Put on your lab coat and safety goggles for this amazing week of science fun! Explore Nanotechnology, Electric Circuitry, and Chemistry with the support of Lawrence Berkeley Labs! Delve into harnessing the sun's power, make an egg bounce, and study astronomy at Chabot Space & Science.

Week 9 | Aug 4 – 7 OR Aug 7 – 10: Feather River Overnight

Have fun, make friends, & build confidence in the Plumas National Forest! Campers will enjoy a wide variety of activities nature hikes, swimming, arts & crafts, campfires, music, drama, camp talent show, star gazing, fishing and horseback trail ride. While at Feather River, campers will stay in wooden cabins or rustic wooden platform canvas style tents nestled among the trees or overlook the Spanish Creek. All tents and cabins are furnished with cots or beds with a table, bench, and shelves for your convenience and sleep up to four. AGES 9-12 ONLY.

OPRYD 2019 Mother of the Year – On Saturday May 11, Oakland Parks, Recreation and Youth Development (OPRYD) honored Oakland mother Kemba Shakur at the 2019 Mother of the Year Celebration held at the Morcom Rose Garden 700 Jean Street. Shakur is the Founder and Executive Director of Urban Releaf, an urban forestry nonprofit responsible for the planting and caring of an estimated 20,000 trees in low-income East Bay Area communities. A pivotal moment in her life came in the 1990s, when Kemba moved to West Oakland and was struck by the lack of greenery. Instead of packing up and moving on, Kemba started planting trees. She founded Urban Releaf 21 years ago, guiding it to success by abiding by two key principles – creating a more beautiful community where residents take pride in where they live and offering opportunities for at-risk youth and unemployed adults to gain marketable skills. Kemba sees planting trees, growing gardens and sharing her love of nature as only one aspect of improving communities. Equally

important is a strong sense of social and environmental justice. For more information of Mother of the Year contact Zermaine Thomas at zthomas@oaklandca.gov.

Dad's and Jazz Festival – On Sunday June 16, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m., Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development (OPRYD) is hosting its annual Dads and Jazz Father's Day Festival at the beautifully landscaped Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate, 2960 Peralta Oaks Court. Father's Day is a perfect occasion to have loads of fun with your dad and let him know how much you appreciate him. Celebrate your father's big day with live music, food, games, raffles and more. To purchase tickets, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/y5lkuybh>

Scholar Athlete Coding and Basketball Youth Camp – From June 3 to June 7, Willie Keyes Recreation Center will offer a sports and technology camp; The Scholar Athlete Coding and Basketball Camp is a one-week camp combining technology, academics and sports. The camp offers youth age 8-12 a space to learn about technology and coding while also participating in sports in the recently renovated center, computer lab and gym. This camp is sponsored by Antonio Davis and Jason Kidd. For more information please contact Vinzuela Bolden at vbolden@oaklandca.gov.

Making Sense of Medicare — On Saturday, May 18, from 10am to 11:30am, Any currently or soon to be eligible for Medicare, or anyone who cares for a senior over the age of 65, can come to the Dimond Branch Library (3565 Fruitvale Ave.) for a “Making Sense of Medicare” program. Get the latest Medicare updates! You will learn about your options and understand the difference between Medicare Advantage Plans, Medicare Supplements & Traditional Medicare, and Prescription Drug Plans. Presenter Denise Lombard is a Health, Long Term Care, disability and Life Insurance Specialist with more than a decade of experience helping people find the right health care solution. For information, contact Sarah Hodgson, Branch Manager, at shodgson@oaklandlibrary.com or call (510) 482-7844.

Helmet Give Away with the City of Oakland Department of Transportation at the Lakeview Library — On Saturday, May 25, from 11am to 11:30am, bring your pre-reading child to the Lakeview Branch Library (550 El Embarcadero) to celebrate National Bike Month. We will have a bicycle themed 10:30am story time and a free helmet give away afterwards (while supplies last) sponsored by the Department of Transportation. For information, contact Xochitl Gavidia, Branch Manager, at xgavidia@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7344, or visit

Get Help from the Homeless Action Center – On Tuesday, May 21, from 10:30am to 11:30am, drop by the Main Library's Community Kiosk and Veterans Center (125 14th St.) to get help, say hi, or enjoy free coffee. The Homeless Action Center provides legal services in the area of public benefits, including help with applications and appeals for Food Stamps, General Assistance, and Medi-Cal benefits in Alameda County; with applications and appeals for Social Security disability benefits & SSI; with legal information about public benefits issues, and referrals for other issues. Vouchers to obtain free or reduced fee ID cards to homeless and low-income individuals. The Homeless Action Center is open every Tuesday, except the first Tuesday of the month. For information, contact Dayni Kuo, Librarian, at dkuo@oaklandlibrary.com or (510) 238-3134.

81st Avenue Library presents "BOUNCE: The Warriors Last Season in Oakland" — On Tuesday, May 21, from 6 to 8pm, come to the 81st Avenue Branch Library (1021 81st Ave.), to cheer on the Golden State Warriors as they pursue the NBA championship for the final time in Oakland. Presented by KALW's Sights and Sounds of East Oakland, Bounce features guests from the Bounce podcast and community discussion, including a live performance from Ajai Kasim and free refreshments.

The Bounce podcast chronicles the Golden State Warriors' final weeks in Oakland, considering how the team's move across the Bay impacts fans, players, businesses, and the city it's called home for nearly 50 years. For information, contact Brian Guenther, Branch Manager, at bguenther@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 615-5812.

Take an Excursion to Monterey, Carmel, and Big Sur with the Main Library's Spring Travel Series — On Wednesday, May 22, at 6pm, Moon Travel Guides author Stuart Thornton will share his travel tips for visiting Monterey, Carmel, and Big Sur in a photo heavy presentation in the Main Library's Bradley C. Walters Community Room (125 14th St.). Learn about the best ways to spend a day at the Monterey Bay Aquarium and navigating Big Sur's Highway 1 along with information about lesser known destinations such as the New Camaldoli Hermitage, Palo Corona Regional Park, and a hidden shipwreck on the Monterey coast. For information, contact Dorothy Lazard, Librarian I, at dlazard@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3134.

Respectfully submitted,

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