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OVA To Seek Legal Advice on Future of Homeless Site

■Al Haggerty

Reacting to skepticism regarding the future of the Los Guilicos homeless site across Highway 12 from Oakmont, the OVA Board of Directors adopted an Oakmont task force report at its Feb. 18 meeting recommending that it hire an attorney with experience in land use and the requirements of California law.

The report said even if the site is shut down after 90 or 180 days, "waiting to find out if that is true is not recommended." "While director Jack Tibbetts is likely to continue doing a great job with security and transportation," it continues, "Jack is not in control of the ultimate decision as to whether the site is shut down or continues in some form." Tibbetts is executive director of St. Vincent de Paul, which manages the site for the county, and is also a city councilman.



Carolyn Bettencourt. (Photo by Julie Kiil)

County Supervisor Susan Gorin, an Oakmont resident, is quoted in the report by Oakmont's Los Guilicos Task Force as saying, "There is a strong possibility that the board (of supervisors) will choose to extend the time span at Los Guilicos during a short or long transition. It is unlikely, but still a possibility, that LG Village will be approved as a permanent shelter, but that is why the board and county need to hear from you."

In remarks at the OVA Board meeting, Gorin noted that the county is focusing on permanent supportive housing in buildings such as motels, adding that LG Village does not meet permanent supportive housing requirements. She said the cost of rehabilitating the older buildings near the village would be "enormous" and any suggestion along these lines is "long in the future."

Director Carolyn Bettencourt called the LG Village "a prescription for disaster," adding: "We need to hold our elected officials accountable to their original promise that the LG site is closed by April 30."

Director Jess Marzak said he is a real supporter of hiring an attorney. He said his guess is that "they're not going to move because politicians find it easier to do what they're doing rather than change."

The vote to adopt the task force report was 5-1. Director Tom Kendrick called his vote "a soft yes" because he questions hiring a lawyer and Director Noel Lyons abstained because he questions some of the recommendations. Director Marianne Neufeld was absent.



Susan Gorin. (Photo by Julie Kiil)

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Too Many Chips!

■Staff Report



Piles of wood chips line the Community Garden fence on Feb. 17. (Photo by Marty Thompson)

Oakmont Maintenance is asking your help in finding out which tree trimming companies and landscapers are dumping wood chips around the Community Garden on Stone Bridge Road.

Gardeners use the chips to cover pathways between garden plots and keep down weeds outside the perimeter fence. One company, True North, was delivering chips from its work in Oakmont by request, but word apparently got around and the result is way too many piles of chips.

OVA Maintenance Manager Rick Aubert is asking the garden's neighbors and visitors in the neighborhood to report trucks dumping wood chips to the maintenance office by email to rick@oakmontvillage.com or by calling 539-4534. If possible, note any company logo on the trucks and their license plate numbers.

Elections in Challenging Year for Association

■Marty Thompson

Oakmont members begin voting March 6 to elect four members of the governing board for a year bringing challenges including ownership of the golf courses, considered one of the most important developments in OVA history. The year also will see solar installations on OVA parking lots and planning for the future of the central area.

In a year when no challengers emerged, four incumbents are seeking new terms. They are Steve Spanier, Tom Kendrick, Marianne Neufeld and Jess Marzak. A nominating committee was unable to produce additional candidates.

See **OVA ELECTIONS** on page 5

OEPC Joins Forces with Wild Oak to Expand Radio Network

■Jackie Ryan

There's power in partnerships, and the Oakmont Emergency Preparedness Committee (OEPC) has linked up with the Villages at Wild Oak to expand its radio communications network, putting a better warning system in place and strengthening communications in times of emergency.

Pat Barclay, chairman of OEPC, said the Villages at Wild Oak, an adjacent neighborhood of 61 homes, has purchased equipment for 15 radio operators that will significantly improve the ability to share information

during an emergency or evacuation.

"It's a win-win for all of us, and promises to be a big benefit, especially to those in West Oakmont," Barclay said about the Wild Oak network led by resident Wei Chiu. "This will really improve the response capability for both Oakmont and the Villages and how our radio networks will interact with each other in the event of an emergency."

See **RADIO NETWORK** on page 7

Oakmont Emergency Drill—March 14

■Staff Report

A Spring emergency drill will be held Saturday, March 14 from 8–11 a.m., and there is a role to play for everyone who lives here.

The scenario for the drill will be a simulated 7.1 earthquake on the Rogers Fault resulting in some damage and disruption of services in Oakmont. A temporary Emergency Operation Center (EOC) will be set up outside of the Berger Center. Zone Communicators, wearing yellow vests, will be circulating in Oakmont neighborhoods, assessing potential damage and sending radio messages back to the EOC. OEPC is asking residents to introduce themselves and give a report to zone coordinators and volunteers who appear in their neighborhoods or in yellow vests.

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Golf Update

New operator outlines plans for Oakmont golf courses on page 9.

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6343 Pine Valley Drive

Located in Oakmont's newest neighborhood this stunning Residence 3 plan home features 2319 square feet of designer touches. With 2 master bedrooms, both with their own private bathrooms this home offers spacious living at its best. This open floor plan is perfect for entertaining your guests both indoors and out. Offered at \$949,900



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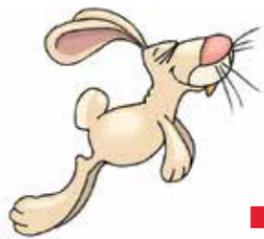
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Regular Oakmont Association Committee Meetings

■OVA Administration

The listed Oakmont Village Association meetings are open sessions. Any interested Oakmont residents are invited and encouraged to participate in these important meetings.

MEETINGS	DATE	TIME	PLACE*
Architectural (No participation) / christel@oakmontvillage.com	2nd Tues. Monthly	1:30 PM	Conf. Rm.
Oakmont Village Association (OVA) Board Workshops <i>(Check our calendar in the event that a workshop does not occur)</i>	1st Tues. Monthly	1–3 PM	Berger Center
Oakmont Village Association (OVA) Board Meetings	3rd Tues. Monthly	1–3 PM	Berger Center
COMMITTEES	DATE	TIME	PLACE*
Communications (CC) / oakmontcommittee@gmail.com	4th Wed. Monthly	10 AM	Conf. Rm.
Community Development (OCDC) / ova-ocdc@sonic.net	2nd Wed. Monthly	3 PM	Ste. B
Community Education and Transparency Committee (CETC)	1st Thurs. Monthly	10 AM	Mgrs. Conf. Rm.
Finance (FC) / ova-finance@sonic.net	The Thursday before the Regular Board meeting	2–3:30 PM	Rm. B
Long-Range Planning Committee (LRPC)	1st & 3rd Mon. Monthly	1 PM	Conf. Rm.
Landscape Improvement Committee (LIC)	2nd Tues. Monthly	10 AM–12 Noon	Mgrs. Conf. Rm.
League of Maintained Area Associations (LOMAA)			
Regular Meetings	1st Mon. Monthly	12 Noon	Rm. B
Quarterly Meetings	1st Wed. (March, Sept., Dec.)	7 PM	West Rec.
LOMAA Annual Workshop	2nd Wed. (June)	9 AM	East Rec.
Emergency Preparedness Committee (OEPC)			
OEPC Board	1st Thurs. Monthly	2 PM	Rm. B
OEPC Community Meeting	3rd Thurs. (Jan., May, Sept.)	2 PM	Berger Center

A quorum of OVA Board of Directors may be present at these meetings. *It is sometimes necessary to change meeting locations and/or dates and times. Please check the Rec. Center bulletin boards for written notice of change or call the OVA office prior to scheduled meetings for confirmation.

LOCATIONS

Room B is in the Central Activity Center, 310 White Oak Drive. Conf. Rm. is in the OVA Office, 6637 Oakmont Dr., Ste. A. Mgrs. Conf. Rm. is in the OVA Office, 6637 Oakmont Dr., Ste. A

OVA Board of Directors Election Vote Counters Needed

■Nancy Caldwell

Are you interested and willing to volunteer to count the ballots on April 6? If you would like to participate, please send an email to me at ncaldwellster@

gmail.com and let me know. We will need about 26 volunteers. We start at 10 a.m. and it usually takes about three hours to get it all done.

CETC Fireside Chat

■Jane Marzoni

CETC, the Community Education and Transparency Committee, invites residents to share your opinions, suggestions and questions about life in Oakmont at our second fireside chat. Knowing the sentiments of the community will assist CETC to help the board

better perform its job for the benefit of residents. Tea, coffee and cookies will be served.

DATE: Monday, March 16

TIME: 2 p.m.

WHERE: Berger Center Fireside Area

Solar Energy Policy Revision

■Kevin Hubred, General Manager OVA

At the February 18 Board meeting, the board approved the proposed revised “Solar Energy Policy” (in concept) and directed management to post the policy for review and comment. The members will have 28-days to review and comment on the policy, pursuant to Civil Code 4360 and 4045, prior to being approved by the board. The original and revised versions of the solar policy are posted at the Berger bulletin board, and the new policy is published below.

Purpose and Effect: The purpose and effect of the proposed rules are to provide minimum standards for solar energy installations that are submitted through the architectural process at Oakmont.

The board will consider your timely written and open meeting comments before approving the policy (rule) at the open Board meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, March 17 at 1 p.m. in the Berger Center, 6633 Oakmont Drive. You may forward any comments concerning the proposed rules to the board any time prior to the proposed meeting to discuss the rule revision. Only those written comments received prior to March 17, or comments made at the meeting, will be considered by the board in their approval process.

Email your comments to askova@oakmontvillage.com or Kevin@Oakmontvillage.com or mail them to Oakmont Village Association, C/O Kevin Hubred, 6637 Oakmont Drive, Suite A, Santa Rosa, CA 95409.

SOLAR ENERGY POLICY

California promotes the use of solar energy systems. Accordingly, Oakmont Village Association will follow the guidelines set forth in Civil Code §714.

A. All solar energy installations shall meet applicable building codes.

B. Solar Panels may be approved if they are mounted directly on the roof and are of color, size, and shape consistent with the roofline. Color, and precise rooftop and/or yard location(s) should be as unobtrusive as possible.

C. Architectural application/submittal package is to specify locations of all equipment, color of Solar Panels, the color of the supporting apparatus, the color of the electrical equipment, pipes, and wiring of the items attached to the array. The application should have precise dimensions of all equipment and the size of the surrounding roof, an elevation showing each surface that will have any portion of the installation.

D. Solar panels shall be above and parallel to the slope of the roof and be placed so that the top edge of the panel is parallel to the roof ridge. No part of the installation shall be above the roofline. The panel frame shall be black.

See **SOLAR POLICY** on page 6

President’s Message

■Steve Spanier, OVA Board President

LOS GUILICOS VILLAGE UPDATE

On Tuesday, February 18, the board heard a report from the Los Guilicos Task Force, an ad-hoc committee of four individuals chartered by the board at our January meeting. The task force researched how the new Los Guilicos Village (LGV) community of unsheltered transplants from the Joe Rodota Trail homeless encampment might affect Oakmont and what we should do about it. This President’s Message provides the latest information on the state of a situation that has created safety and economic concerns for many Oakmont residents.



The task force’s report was extremely helpful. It offered a history of homelessness in Sonoma County, a survey of homeless support methods, likely future scenarios for which Oakmont should be prepared and a series of recommendations for concrete actions Oakmont should (and should not) take. The report is now available on the OVA website, as are the video of and the presentation slides from the task force’s presentation.

Task force recommendations have now been compiled into an action plan. The five-element action plan will form the charter of a new ad-hoc committee to be created very soon.

We’re currently soliciting Oakmont members who would like to join this committee. If you’re interested, please email info@oakmontvillage.com with a brief description of your qualifications and why you’d like to serve.

You may reasonably ask why the task force hasn’t simply been turned into the new ad-hoc committee. The task force’s singular job was to determine, in effect, whether there is something about which Oakmont should be concerned. Had the task force answered “no” to this question, there would be no need for another committee. However, since the task force concluded that, although the current situation across the highway is not concerning, future situations might be, we believe there is a need for a longer-tenured committee with a different charter appropriate to following up on the task force’s recommendations.

Briefly, the new committee’s charter includes: 1) hiring an attorney to advise Oakmont leadership of our options (and help us execute those options, if need be); 2) setting up an incident reporting system; 3) watching for changes in any of four LGV operating parameters and plans mentioned in the report; 4) placing a committee member on the Advisory Council (a group of OVA homeowners working with the current LGV operator and other stakeholders to monitor, advise and take actions in the best interests of the stakeholders); and 5) advocating for the county to execute certain recommendations and actions.

We continue to deeply appreciate that which makes Oakmont special—the volunteer spirit that, when coupled with the talent and dedication of so many of you, accomplishes goals far greater than any of us could manage individually.

Election Day in Oakmont

■Staff report

Two polling places will be open in Oakmont for the California primary election on Tuesday, March 3. Residents will be voting at one of two polling places, at the East and West recreation centers. Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.

People with vote-by-mail ballots who have not returned them may also deliver them to a polling place on election day.

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Among its recommendations, the task force calls for an ongoing OVA committee to organize the community to watch for, report and record any incidents involving residents of the LG village. Nevertheless, it said it is not recommending video cameras at the Oakmont entrances or that OVA hire security to monitor the entrances.

The task force cited an earlier study that concluded that surveillance equipment would have little or no crime prevention value and is highly unlikely to assist police in identifying crime suspects. And security guards could not legally keep any citizen from walking into Oakmont. The task force, citing studies of homeless centers in San Francisco, concluded that the centers had no effect on neighborhood crime or property values.

The report notes that Tibbetts, who is managing LG Village, said it is spending \$38,000 a month for additional security and \$20,000 a month for shuttle buses "to make sure the communities surrounding the village are not negatively impacted."

Two legal obstacles to continuing the site beyond 180 days, according to the report, are that the mini homes become permanent and require sprinklers, and

the proximity of the Valley of the Moon Children's Home violates the law requiring a minimum distance between any sex offender residents and schools containing children.

The OVA task force includes Jeff Young, chair, Kim Clement, Chris Finn and President Steve Spanier as the board liaison. Its exhaustive 35-page report drew thanks from board members and applause from residents. Young was a software engineering manager and an organizational consultant and leadership coach. Clement, a retired attorney, was a chief trial deputy for the city and county of San Francisco and more recently was deputy district attorney for Sonoma County. Finn spent the last eight years of her 40-year career as a registered nurse working for Santa Clara's Valley Homeless Healthcare Program as a nurse manager.

Other task force recommendations include:

- Advocate that the legal obstacles to Los Guilicos not be relaxed.
- Advocate that Los Guilicos does not discontinue its security and shuttle buses.
- Advocate for the county accepting the two proposals it already has for more permanent homeless shelters.
- Collaborate to define how permanent supportive housing will be implemented.

DEFIBRILLATORS

The board unanimously approved the purchase of up to five automatic external defibrillators for \$8,475 to be used in OVA common area buildings. The issue was tabled at the Jan. 21 meeting over concern about liability issues. The resolution to purchase the defibrillators said the issue about liability appears to resolve that there would be no liability to the association, employees or volunteers rendering emergency medical or non-medical care at the scene of an emergency.

Also approved without opposition was spending \$31,674 for renovation and \$5,175.59 for carpeting and blinds in Suite B, a room which is part of the OVA office with a separate entrance on Laurel Leaf Place.

**At-a-Glance
Summary of Feb. 18
OVA Board Actions**

■ Harriet Palk

Approved the Women in Conversation Club: Combat loneliness and enrich social connections and bonding.

Appointed to the Building Construction Committee: Katy Carrel, to replace resigning David Harris, and Richard Kasten.

Appointed Herm Herrman to the Oakmont Community Development Committee .

Voted with Noel Lyons abstaining to move forward with the Los Guilicos task force recommendations.

Approved purchase of five AEDs to be used in common area buildings for \$8,475 (plus tax) and \$150 per year per AED for maintenance.

Approved charter for the Oakmont Energy Resiliency Project Committee.

Approved tenant improvement costs of \$36,850 for carpeting and blinds in Suite B of the Benson Building, leased by OVA.

Architectural Solar Energy Policy Revision: Approved in concept the Solar Energy Policy that will be published in the *Oakmont News* and posted in the common area.

March 3 Town Hall: A presentation on Map-My-Community. Maps are used to explore needs, vulnerabilities and assets in a community especially in emergency situations. Council on Aging will be available as backup to explain its services.

**Current Events
Discussion Group**



■ Tina Lewis

The Current Events Group consists of lively discussions of current events, from local to international. Informed comments are voiced from across the political spectrum, from liberals to conservatives. Some prefer to just listen and learn, others offer to moderate.

Whatever your comfort level, you will be welcomed when you join us. The discussions are moderated by volunteers within the group, and microphones are passed around to enable everyone to hear. A \$1 donation is requested.

MODERATORS

March 6: Karen Donnelly

March 13: Bernie Palk

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Lawn Bowling



■Tophier Gayle

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FIRST TOURNAMENT OF THE YEAR

This year's Presidents' Day Tournament was dedicated to the memory of long-time member Jack Breglio.

Our custom is to hold tournaments on national holidays, which seems to give us permission to dress more colorfully than just the traditional whites. For example, the St. Patrick's Day Tournament suggests the color green. I thought that perhaps, hearkening back to old George W., whose birthday was the original impetus for the holiday, I'd dress up by wearing a powdered white wig. But then I realized it would look pretty much like my normal hair, so I scotched that notion.

First place was taken by Jeana Garcia, Marilyn Garland and Janet Johnson. Well done, indeed!



First place—Jeana Garcia, Marilyn Garland and Janet Johnson.

Second place ended in a tie between Francis Coryell, Jeannette Breglio and Liliane Rains; and Bob Dodd, Tophier Gayle and Jerry Garland. The two teams had the same scores and high spread, so shared that award.



Half of the second-place winners: Jeannette Breglio, Francis Coryell and Liliane Rains.

WINE COUNTRY GAMES

Jerry Garland needs two more teams to fill out the roster for the Wine Country Games, so please contact Jerry and sign up. The games will be held June 12 and 13.

UPCOMING 2020 TOURNAMENTS

The whole year's schedule of tournaments and other club activities is available on the online calendar at the OLBC website. Check it out: <https://www.oakmontlawnbowling.com/coming-events>.

You can sign up for these tournaments at the OLBC storage shed wall either now or pretty soon.

- March 17: St. Patrick's Day Tournament
- April 1: April Fool's Day Tournament (yardstick scoring)
- April 21: Men's Pairs Tournament
- May 5: Women's Pair Tournament

WHO'S WHO? AND WHEN'S WHEN?

The club's Green Book is available in the club room, as of March 1. New bowlers might not realize that event dates, club members' contact info, and more, is carefully listed in the Green Book. Be the first on your block to get a copy!

OVA ELECTIONS Continued from page 1

Ballots were mailed in time to be in members' hands March 6, and must be returned by mail by April 6. They also can be turned in at the Annual Meeting in the Berger Center at 10 a.m. on Monday, April 6. Ballots will be counted that day, and results announced at 2 p.m. that afternoon when the board meets to reorganize for the new year.

The three candidates with the most votes will get two-year terms, the fourth a one-year term, preserving the balance where three two-year seats are open each year.

Others could be nominated at the annual meeting, but they must accept the nomination and state law does not allow write-ins. There are 3,206 voting members. A quorum of 802 ballots, or 25%, is required for a legal election.

The Annual Meeting program includes a state of the association address by President Steve Spanier and remarks by potentially other board members.

During the meeting, at the direction of the inspector of the election, volunteers organized by resident Nancy Caldwell will count the ballots and report results to a representative of Grapevine Property Management, the inspector of elections.

Armed with strong member approval of a dues increase to fund the move, OVA bought the failing Oakmont Golf Club last month and signed a contract with Advance Golf Partners to operate the golf courses and clubhouses. AGC is moving ahead on plans to reopen the two now closed golf courses and then to remodel the clubhouses.

Contracts have been approved to place solar panels this year on the three recreation center parking lots. An OVA committee is also looking into solar programs for homes here. The year also is expected to bring further study of whether and how the Berger Center can be updated or replaced as needs of the central area are considered.

OAKMONT ELECTION AT-A-GLANCE

- Your ballots: Arrive by mail
- Voting begins: March 6, by mail
- Voting ends: At Annual Meeting
- Annual Meeting: Monday, April 6, 10 a.m., Berger Center

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OVA Presents Stand Up Comedy

■Ashlea Thomas

Looking for a laugh? You won't want to miss the Stand-Up Comedy Show on Thursday, April 2.

Hosted by OVA, the show will begin at 6 p.m. at the Berger Center featuring award winning comedians David Nihill and Jason Love. Both Nihill and Love boast impressive backgrounds with appearances on America's Got Talent, and being named winner of the 43rd annual San Francisco Comedy Competition. It will be a night to remember!

Tickets may be purchased at the OVA office for \$15. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Please contact the OVA office for further details at 539-1611.

EMERGENCY DRILL Continued from page 1

Giving a report during the drill will help zone communicators and volunteers practice how to help residents in requesting assistance and relaying status information to them. Volunteers will also be operating communications equipment at Oakmont's recreation centers to process reports from the neighborhoods and simulate communications with Santa Rosa Fire Department's Emergency Operations Center. OEPC said communications capabilities are designed to supplement and/or replace the 911 system when it is down or otherwise unavailable.

OEPC has only enough volunteers to cover about half of Oakmont's neighborhoods, and the committee is actively seeking volunteers to join their ranks. Volunteers do not need a license, special skills or training. The time investment—absent an actual emergency—is only five minutes a month for a radio check and a two-hour simulated emergency drill about every three months. OEPC also conducts community wide drills twice a year to test radio skills in preparation for a potential disaster.

Interested volunteers can send OEPC an e-mail at OakmontERT@gmail.com or call Pat Barclay at 570-7500 for more information.

SOLAR POLICY Continued from page 3

E. Piping or tubing, conduit, junction boxes, combiner boxes, mounting feet, and mounting rails required on the roof shall be under the panel (so they are not visible from the ground), or they shall be painted to match or be compatible with the roofing material.

F. Piping or tubing, conduit, or wiring, if any, shall not be routed across the rooftop, fascia, or side of the home (except for equipment that is required to the load center). All such material shall be routed through the attic or under the eaves and shall be painted to match the surface(s) of the house.

G. Utility panel(s) and leads or connecting cables shall be painted to match the surface(s) of the house over which they are routed, whether the fascia or the siding of the house. The result is to maximize the screening of such items from the view of any neighbor. White utility panel(s) and leads or connecting cables that are silver, bronze, or black tones will be considered. The preference is for these items to match the color(s) of the house.

H. A system with battery backup capability, if applicable, must be installed in accordance with manufacturer's requirements/specifications.

I. The association may require a site survey showing the placement of the panels and equitable allocation of the usable area among owners sharing the same roof, garage, or carport. Applicants must notify each owner of a unit in the building on which the installation will be located of the application to install a solar energy system.

Jazz Club

■Dolora DeGeer Hurst

We presented the Cabaret Jazz Show on Valentine's Day to a sold-out audience. That was what is called a "Jazz Show." The audience's standing ovation said it all. The musicians were some of the very best playing today, anywhere. The singers were truly thrilling. We had heard Charity Goodin-Sanen at a previous Oakmont show, and knew that we were going to hear an unusually beautiful, romantic voice, with even some Latin/Brazilian numbers included in her selections. She is truly marvelous.

The baritone Jamie Davis was a "knock your socks off" surprise. A former singer with the Count Basie Band, all one could think is what an amazing talent. With such an incredible voice, handsome good looks, and wonderful stage presence, he is an absolute joy. The other outstanding musicians, Steve Heckman (saxophone), Jeff Chambers (bass), and Jason Lewis

(drums), were all stars in their own right. It was the perfect balance for the exceptional music we so enjoyed.

Larry Vuckovich almost needs no introduction. He is known world-wide as one of the best pianists of today. He has played with almost every well-known musician of today and has even been awarded his native country of Yugoslavia's Lifetime Achievement Award. His knowledge of Jazz music is astounding.

Our next Jazz Club Meeting on Wednesday, March 4 will feature member pianist Doug Onstad and singer Julie Crystel. They will perform songs and then discuss them with the club, as an educational program.

If you would like to attend a Jazz Club Meeting you are welcome. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month, 2 p.m., at the East Recreation Center, 7902 Oakmont Drive. You do not need to be a musician, only a jazz lover.

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Sign of Spring



Trees in front of Poppy Bank on Oakmont Drive in full bloom during the last half of February. (Photo by Julie Kiil)



AARP Presents "The AARP Smart Driver Course"

■Anita Roraus

These are four- and eight-hour classroom courses for drivers 50 years of age and older.

Complete cost for the course is \$15 for AARP members/\$20 non-members. Open to Oakmont residents only. Price will increase beginning July 1: \$20 for AARP member and \$25 for non-member.

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Refresher class: Friday, June 26, 1-5:30 p.m.

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Refresher class: Friday, October 23, 1-5:30 p.m.

Sign-up by calling the OVA office at 539-1611 or come by in person.



Oakmont Democratic Club

■Tom Amato

As Oakmonters prepare for a longer fire season, a hopeful note is the hundreds of residents in our county who are organizing to create a healthy long-term relationship with Mother Earth. At the Thursday, March 26, 7 p.m. meeting of the Oakmont Democratic Club, a panel of local activists will share some victories, some challenges and some visionary ideas relating to our environment.

Mike Turgeon, a leader in the Friends of the Climate Action Plan (FoCAP) and Tayse Crocker, lead organizer with the Rights of Mother Earth Campaign (RoME), will lead a panel looking at both the local policies being discussed by city and county leaders as well as the larger question of how much right we have as citizens to control the environment in which we live.

In 2012, Santa Rosa created a Climate Action Plan (CAP). At that time the city's plan was recognized nationally. However, much of the plan was not implemented and our state continued to generally get hotter and dryer. FoCAP was formed by local environmental leaders to push local government to do more. Last year, as part of a larger coalition, they got Santa Rosa City Council to make CAP implementation a Tier One Priority and to take several notable steps. But from maintaining urban growth boundaries to divesting from fossil fuel, big decisions confront local government. Mike will share insights on the current local environmental fights and how we can help shape good decisions.

Related to this struggle is the larger question of what legal rights we have as residents to shape our physical environment vs. those of multinational corporations. Rights of Mother Earth is an effort of the North Bay Organizing Project to challenge existing legislation that limits our rights to protect the long-term sustainability of the environment in which we live. Tayse is actively organizing artists, clergy, youth and indigenous leaders and others to win local rights.

The evening will begin with a social at 6:30 p.m. followed by the program at 7 p.m. at the East Rec. Center. All are welcome.

Oakmont Residential Solar and Batteries Fair

■Heidi Klyn

The Oakmont Residential Solar Project had their "Home Solar and Batteries Info Fair" at the West Rec. on February 19 which was well attended. There were numerous Solar vendors with lots of information, discounts and explanations about the 26% tax credit available this year. Tesla brought the just-of-the-assembly-line Gull Wing 7 passenger car to sit in.



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RADIO NETWORK Continued from page 1

Chui said the 2017 and Paradise fires put a glaring spotlight on the vulnerability of cell phone communications in an emergency evacuation. "Cell phones failed everyone. I knew we had to work fast, so this has been a voluntary effort for us. It was advantageous to join forces (with Oakmont), where we could provide eyes for Oakmont and, in exchange, Oakmont has the experience and the outlet to first responders," he said.

OEPC board member Tom Pugliese said the collaboration with the Wild Oak neighborhood is a "great move forward" for both organizations. "It is a model for a totally voluntary, grassroots system that gives Oakmont early warning and Wild Oak greater ability to request outside assistance in the event that the 911 system is overloaded or otherwise not available" he said.

Pugliese and Chiu have already conducted propagation test to map out a system and determine the feasibility of radio communications. Wild Oak will also be participating in monthly radio exercises and OEPC's biannual communications drills. The next drill is March 14.

Cal Alumni Club of Oakmont



■Julie Kiil

SADDLE CLUB DINNER

ST. PATRICK'S DAY THEME—MARCH 19
SPEAKER AND TOPIC: "Meet the Mountain in Your Backyard" featuring Meg Beeler, from the Sonoma Mountain Preservation

WHEN: Thursday, March 19, with cocktails starting at 5 p.m. and buffet dinner at 6 p.m.



Our speaker will be Meg Beeler, Chair of the Sonoma Mountain Preservation discussing how the group maintains the scenic, agriculture and natural resources of the mountain by engaging people to become mountain stewards. The group also sponsors hikes, trail development to access the mountain.

Please join us to celebrate the spring season by sipping cocktails by the cozy fire in the club house or sitting on the beautiful deck, weather permitting, partaking in a delicious meal in the dining room with a spectacular view of the Trione Polo field and the Mayacamas mountains in the Valley of the Moon. All alumni are welcome and please consider becoming a "Friend of Cal" and enjoying all our dinners and events.

The menu will be Corned Beef and Cabbage with all the fixings, a Green Salad and Mint Chip Ice Cream for dessert. The price of the dinner is \$40 which includes cocktails before dinner, house wine with dinner, tax and gratuity!

Reservations must be made in advance and payment must be received by calling Linda Williams at 322-6272 by the deadline of March 16. Linda will instruct you on payment to Wild Oak Saddle Club in the amount of \$40 per guest and the address to send your check. Unfortunately, members and guests sending checks without a call to Linda for the reservation count will be turned away.

Linda can also advise on how to become a "Friend of Cal" and enjoy all our events.

The Wild Oak Saddle Club is located at 550 White Oak Drive.

OAKS

Oakmont Atelier Keyboard Society

■Linda McKenzie

PRESENTING DAVID HEGARTY ON OUR ROLAND ATELIER ORGAN

David is the staff organist at the Castro Theater in San Francisco. He plays, regularly, at the Stanford Theater in Palo Alto and does pop concerts at the American Legion of Honor. As a concert artist, David has appeared in diverse venues as Washington DC's Kennedy Center, San Francisco's Davies Hall and guest artist at the Oakland Pops Orchestra, to name a few.

Following concert, refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP to me at 546-1678 or email to fancyfont2@aol.com.

DATE: Tuesday, March 31

TIME: 2-4 p.m.

PLACE: Berger Center

COST: \$15. Checks can be placed in OAKS file at OVA

Money Raised at Funky Fridays Going to Parks

■Marty Thompson

Regional parks programs and improvements are receiving \$170,000 raised through beverage sales and admission tickets to Funky Fridays concerts over the past four years.

The concert series at Hood Mansion across Highway 12 from Oakmont is on hold until May while the Sonoma County Regional Parks Foundation considers new leadership and status of the Los Guilicos Village site is resolved.

The foundation announced the grants on Feb. 10. "We are thrilled to distribute these funds back into the community that has enthusiastically supported our efforts at Funky Fridays since 2016," Mellissa Kelley, executive director of the foundation, said.

The concert series was founded and run by Linda Pavlak and Bill Myers of Kenwood. Pavlak has moved to Ohio for cancer treatment and to be near family.

"Myers has expressed a desire for the concert series to continue under a new name, whether with the Parks Foundation or another interested partner," Kelley said. "The foundation will make a determination by May regarding our plans for a concert series this summer."

Grants approved include:

- \$10,000 on engineering for the Santa Rosa to Lawndale (Kenwood) part of the Sonoma Valley Trail.
- \$40,000 toward a master plan to revitalize Maxwell Farms Regional Park on the Sonoma-The Springs border.
- \$94,000 for projects at Hood Mountain Regional Park including seed funding for an acquisition to enhance the Sonoma Valley wildlife corridor and support educational programs at the park and trail improvements.



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A Letter from Advance Golf Partners

Hello Residents and Members,

Congratulations on your purchase of these two beautiful golf courses! We look forward to our partnership in preserving, protecting and transforming these assets. Now is an exciting, fast-moving time of transition and we would like to share as many updates as we can. Our updates include information about new hires, course maintenance, and menu development. We are working diligently to open the courses for the golfers that we know are chomping at the bit to play and to enhance the available offerings for our resident members.

Information will be changing rapidly and the best way to stay current on our updates is to sign up for our AGP email distribution. You can do that very easily by sending an email to emails@advancegolfpartners.com. We promise not to clog your inbox.

As you may know, the courses will be renamed. Both names reference the natural beauty of the community and share a great sense of geographical pride. The former East is now The Club at Sugarloaf. The abandoned clubhouse over there will get a huge facelift and will bear the name Sugar Shack. The former West is now The Club at Valley of the Moon and the Quail Inn will be Luna.

Team Members: We have already hired Greg Anderson as General Manager, Debbie Reiber as Controller and Operations Manager, Alison Prather as Event and Activity Planner (she's in charge of all the fun), and Dustin McIntosh as our Golf Course Superintendent. Dustin is joining us from The Fountaingrove Club, having been super there for the last many years. His first official day was Monday, February 24.

Our AGP team is Larry Galloway, Kenna Galloway, Chris Hamill and Pat Kelley. Larry is the senior partner in the group and visionary for our plan. Kenna is our communications, advertising and marketing lead. Chris primarily is responsible for permitting, renovations, infrastructure repair and replacements, as well as all equipment purchases and leases. Pat is the project lead and the point person that all decisions flow through. He will work hand in hand with the local team leaders and our employees to execute our plan.

Golf Course: As we all know the golf course has been shut down for nearly a month. The irrigation

system was depressurized and turned off during that shut down. I can't overstate how big a deal that is, or how important getting the irrigation system back up to function is. This can be a difficult task and includes lots of pressure blow outs and repairs.

Fortunately, we have flown in three folks from our other clubs to get going on this challenge and other maintenance priorities. These priorities include deciding what equipment needs replaced, spraying for a few diseases, and working toward fertility and weed control. I could type a book on all of this, but I think I will stop here. As soon as Dustin is on board, he will immediately start hiring and training our maintenance team.

Please be patient and trust that we are moving as fast as we can. It's in everyone's interest—especially ours—to open the golf course as soon as possible, so that golfers can resume activity and we can collect some money.

Clubhouse and Food and Beverage: I'm happy to say we're way down the road with the development of our initial menu. We'll offer the best ice cream from the top ice cream producers in the country. We're buying our beef from a farm in Kansas, and it's going to be awesome. We're using the same supplier Salt and Stone uses—but ours will be a better cut. We're getting bread, pastries and treats from Costeaux. Danny Barbos from Italy is coming in to train our soon-to-be-hired chef and cooks on his pizza, pastas, sauces, salads, and appetizers.

Our professional Southern Pride rotisserie smoker should arrive the first week of March and Otis Pollard, our competition BBQ champion, is flying in from Georgia to train everyone on world class BBQ. Our initial seafood provider will be Costarella Seafoods. This past week while some of the team was in town, we worked on sourcing locally roasted coffee and we are close with both our provider and the machinery we intend to purchase for great drip coffee and espresso drinks.

Unfortunately, what I can't tell you is when to expect all the permitting and remodel work to be complete, which has to be completed in order for us to use both clubhouses as intended. I should have much more on that for the next update, as that information and the timeline it reflects are getting close to being clear.

Golf Membership Options: Our next update will also include our complete list of options for Golf Membership. You can expect options to join Sugarloaf and Valley of the Moon separately or combined. You can expect a monthly pay option or a prepaid, discounted option. There will be a new membership type that we always find great success with—the Practice, Learn and Play membership—which is an ideal option for those that just want to play in the afternoons. There's a lot more to come on this but we are close to finalizing our offerings. As you may know, per the lease agreement, any legacy members from the former Oakmont Golf Club can retain what they already had or change to a new category that fits them better. More to follow on this soon.

Thank you all for your patience and support during this time of transition. We are moving as quickly as we can out of this phase so we can begin the new. This has been a long engagement, but we are only ten days into the marriage and the team has made great progress considering that. You will be hearing from us with more updates soon.

All the best,
Larry and the Team

Oakmont Singles



■ Priscilla Roslyn

COMING UP: MARCH MIXER MONDAY, MARCH 30, EAST REC. CENTER

March brings out the Irish in everybody, so join us at the East Rec. for Irish Bingo. Wear some green and a smile, bring some lilt in your laughter, and an appetizer to share, your beverage and glass, and your name badge. Prizes for winners! Who knows, you may win a Pot of Gold. Watch for the Evite and respond accordingly.

March is also our election month. Give some serious thought to being part of the board, throw your hat in the ring, and be part of a dynamic group whose mission is to offer a lot of diverse and fun activities to Oakmont Singles. At large are the positions of Communications Director, which Carolita will walk you through, and Bon Appetit Coordinator, which Gale O'Brien has already created a list of restaurants for the future months. Bring your energy and thoughts, and we will guide you into a fun experience!

Dues are past due. If you want to remain on the email and evite list, put a \$12 check in the Oakmont Singles club folder at the OVA office. Write "renewal" on the memo line.

SAVE THE DATE

March 12: Bon Appetit at Jo Jo's Sushi and Restaurant

April 27: April Mixer

Do you want to put a table of singles together to support the Boomers event on March 19, 7 p.m. at the Berger Center? This will be an enjoyable evening showcasing a high energy, talented group, Pride and Joy. Put a \$20 check in the Singles Club folder at the OVA office. Write "Pride and Joy" on the memo line.

Are you single? Please join. Do you live in Oakmont? Please join. Want to meet like-minded single people? Please join. Want to enjoy a variety of activities on a monthly basis? Please join. Want to eat out at different restaurants on a monthly basis? Please join.

Just fill out an application that you can find in the Singles Club folder in the OVA office, and watch for articles in the *Oakmont News*, emails, and Evites of upcoming events, and prepare to have fun!



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Valley of the Moon Rotary Club



■John Brodey

FRIDAY GO TO MEETING TIME

As you must know by now, that's when the Valley of the Moon Rotary meets for breakfast. You may have also figured out that we have an array of speakers who inform, entertain and enlighten us with their half hour presentations on a variety of subjects. But the first half hour of the meeting (7:30 a.m.) begins with the bell. From there it is time for the Pledge, then introductions of guests and visiting Rotarians.

The very next thing is our "Thought for the Day." Each week a different member will take a few minutes to touch on something worth thinking about. Shared wisdom, cautionary tales and teachable moments can be very motivating. The late Kazumi Nishio once showed us another side of introspection and led us into a lovely meditative state in a mere three minutes. It worked, even for the two people who started snoring.

Others dig up some fun facts relevant to life as we know it, things we never really knew. Another favorite is offering up some classic quotes that cover the gamut of life. They say it all: "You wouldn't worry so much about what others think of you if you realized how seldom they do."—Eleanor Roosevelt. Then you have astute observations such as: "War is God's way of teaching Americans geography," from politician Ambrose Bierce. Author William Goldman hit one on the head: "Life isn't fair, it's just fairer than death." There is no lack of personal wisdom like Picasso's pithy: "It takes a long time to become young." And who could argue with Anthony Bourdain about the art of living? He advised us: "Your body is not a temple, it's an amusement park, enjoy the ride". Not surprisingly Kurt Vonnegut was absolutely prophetic when he wrote: "Dear Future Generations. Please accept our apologies. We were roaring drunk on petroleum."

This all brings to last week's thought. Mona Khanna may be one of the most interesting people in our club. A deep thinker she shared her thoughts on this, the Fourth Journey of her life. Based on a poem by Joyce Rupp called "Old Maps No Longer Work," it describes the dilemma at embarking on this new and final phase of life. She focuses on the unsettling notion that it isn't a simple matter of living just as we always have. In retrospect, those old maps don't really hide any missed roads or directions and they have outlived their relevance. But, without a map how do we find our way now?

Perhaps it is time to look for the answers we haven't found by trusting in our old/experienced soul and letting go. Embracing the freedom of a Pilgrim to travel through the dark and read the stars. It challenges us to abandon the old roads that lead nowhere and take a fresh look. As Mona says: "I will trust the guidance of the stars and let their light be enough for me." It's not easy letting go, but I'll give it a try.



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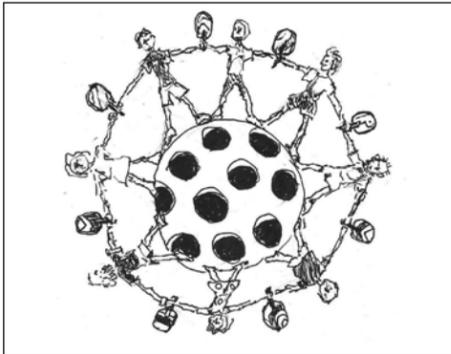


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THE BENEFITS OF PICKLEBALL

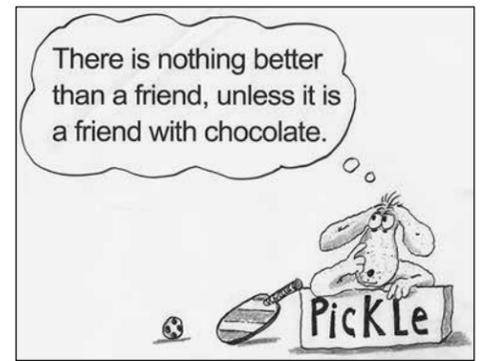
In the past, I've talked about the benefits of pickleball as a physical activity which promotes health and well-being. In this article, I am writing about the benefits of the social relationships which have been formed through pickleball.

The interaction of friendships through the pickleball connection is continually a fun, relaxing and enjoyable experience. During my four years living in Oakmont, many of my most memorable and happiest times are spent with friends who were established through the pickleball connection. This connection is an excellent opportunity for social relations which provide support and caring during good and bad times.



Recently my wife, Ellie, who plays pickleball, got sick which laid her up for almost a month. Almost immediately upon hearing about her illness friends came to her rescue by offering whatever support she needed such as food, flowers, transportation, and encouragement. There is no question in my mind (as research has demonstrated) that this support increased her ability to recover.

Pickleball is the reason that many of us have formed new relationships since moving to Oakmont. It never ceases to amaze me how the sport encourages



Cartoons by Peter Copen.

friendly, cheerful and positive behavior.

To quote Dr. William Glasser: "Relationships are the cornerstone of our happiness, and efforts to build and maintain positive social relationships light the way to our happiness and the happiness of others."

If you agree with this you should also feel blessed. Yes, pickleball truly makes us happy.

OAKMONT PICKLEBALL PLAY INFORMATION

WHERE: East Rec. Center lower courts, Courts #1 and #4

WHEN: New players (strictly beginners) Introduction to Pickleball and Coached Play (for beginners and novices), Tuesday from 9-10 a.m.

ATTIRE: Court shoes with non-marking soles

EQUIPMENT: Balls are provided. Loaner paddles are available for introduction and coached play. These balls and paddles are for use only on the Oakmont Pickleball courts.

WEBSITE: <https://oakmontpickleball.shutterfly.com>

NEW PLAYER CONTACT: Pauly Uhr, richuhr@gmail.com, 984-4186; and/or Nancy Lande, Nancy_lande@comcast.net, 978-2998

Oakmont Progressives



■Vince Taylor

WHAT'S NEXT IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY?

On Monday, March 9, the Oakmont Progressives will present a panel discussion on what lies ahead in the Democratic Primary for President and for key down ballot elections for House and Senate seats. The program is at 7 p.m. in the East Rec. Center.



Bernie Sanders.



Michael Bloomberg.

Super Tuesday will have happened just six days before our meeting. We will have much more information on who's looking great and who's looking not so great. There will still be a long road ahead to the convention: 1,594 delegates will have been awarded by the end of Super Tuesday, but 3,979 delegates total will be awarded prior to the convention. Because Democratic delegates are awarded proportionally to votes, not winner-take-all, no candidate will be close to a majority after Super Tuesday.

In addition to the Presidential Primary, there are going to be numerous exciting contests for House and Senate. Our panelists will help you to identify the key contests to watch and possibly support with money or calls or in-person.

This is already an exciting primary, and it going to only get more exciting from here. The Progressives will help you understand what has already happened and what to watch for in future contests.

Join us at our March 9 Progressives Meeting at the East Rec. Center. Social time begins at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7 p.m. If you plan to come, you can help our planning by registering at www.oakmontprogressives.com. Questions: call me at 583-9490.

Oakmont Progressives is an educational and social club inspired by the visions of FDR and Bernie Sanders. We seek a government that works for the people instead of banks, corporations and billionaires. For more information see www.oakmontprogressives.com: "What Makes a Democrat Progressive."



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Wii Bowling Oakmont Lanes



■ Terry Leuthner, President, and Diane Price, Vice President

Oakmont Lanes Bowling Club is a Bowling League consisting of four-person teams that utilize Nintendo Wii to simulate the experience of bowling without the weight of a bowling ball. Any resident who has the ability of holding a small remote control in their hand while swinging their arm as if they were rolling a bowling ball will be able to join.

Anyone interested in joining our club, either as a team bowler or substitute, please call Terry at 538-9177 or Diane at 538-3365 or stop by the East Recreation Center on Tuesdays from 1:30-4:30 p.m. to see us in action. See www.oakmontlanes.com for club information and schedules to bring cookies and to set up/tear down equipment.

Bowling dates for March: Mar. 10 (week #7 of Winter League), 17 (St. Patrick's Day Challenge) and 31. No bowling Mar. 3 (Presidential Primary Election) and Mar. 24 (fourth Tuesday).

RESULTS AS OF FEB. 11 (FIFTH WEEK WINTER LEAGUE)

1:30 p.m. League: first place, Alley Oops; second

place, 4 Tops; third place, Pocket Hits; fourth place, Wild Turkeys; fifth place, Strikers; sixth place, Wii Four.

Men's High Games: Don Shelhart, 253; Charlie Ensley, 233; Gordon Freedman, 217; Larry Lazzarini, 217; Mike Apicella, 207; Christian van den Berghe, 202.

Women's High Games: Peggy Ensley, 300; Joanne Abrams, 278; Robin Schudel, 278; Sandy Osherooff, 266; Debbie Miller, 245; Elisabeth LaPointe, 240; Donnarose Ilecki, 236; Phillis Jennings, 215; Beverly Shelhart, 209; Mary Knight, 203.

3:15 p.m. League: first place, Strike Outs; second place tie, Strikes & Spares and High Rollers; fourth place, Wii Power; fifth place, King Pins; sixth place, Pin Heads.

Men's High Games: Ray Haverson, 278; Scott Harris, 217.

Women's High Games: Vickie Jackanich, 287; Maurine Bennett, 278; Joanne Abrams, 266; Valerie Hulsey, 256; Diane Price, 255; Mollie Atkinson, 236; Shirley Jamison, 236; Jan Blackburn, 234; Sandra Pessner, 230; Barbara Ford, 214; Nicole Reed, 212.

Boomers



■ Carolita Carr

COMING UP NEXT—PRIDE & JOY BAND

WHEN: Thursday, March 19

WHERE: Berger Center

TIME: 6-9:30 p.m., doors open at 6

COST: \$20 per person

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Names: _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Unreserved seating: If you chose unreserved seating and wish to sit with friends, you should plan to arrive together when the doors open at 6 p.m. Full payment must accompany the reservation.

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Amount enclosed: \$ _____

The deadline for reservations is no later than 3 p.m. Monday, March 16. You may also register and pay online. If you have any questions about reservations, please contact info@oakmontboomers.org.

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■ Rosemary Waller



TELEGRAPH QUARTET DEBUT IN OAKMONT

The Telegraph Quartet was formed in 2013 with an equal passion for standard and contemporary chamber music repertoire. Described by the *San Francisco Chronicle* as "an incredibly valuable addition to the cultural landscape" and "powerfully adept ... with a combination of brilliance and subtlety," the Quartet was awarded the prestigious 2016 Walter W. Naumburg Chamber Music Award and the Grand Prize at the 2014 Fischhoff Chamber Music Competition. In 2018 the ensemble released its first album, *Into the Light*, on the Centaur label. The recording features works by Anton Webern, Benjamin Britten, and Leon Kirchner.

Based in the San Francisco Bay area, the Quartet is currently on the chamber music faculty at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music as the Quartet-in-Residence. The group has given master classes at the SFCM Collegiate and Pre-College Divisions and at San Francisco State University through the Morrison Artist Series, as well as abroad at the Taipei National University of the Arts, the National Taiwan Normal University, and in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico.

The Telegraph Quartet's program at the Berger Center will take place on March 12 at 1:30 p.m., and will include works by Haydn, Britten, and Mendelssohn. For program notes and other details, please visit our website www.musicatoakmont.org.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF 2020-21 MUSIC AT OAKMONT SEASON

At the March 12 concert we will officially announce our upcoming 30th anniversary season, with brochures available for your perusal. We are pleased to retain the current admission of \$25 per single concert, and \$125 for the entire season, a terrific bargain which offers six concerts for the price of five. Season passes will be on sale at the March 12 and April 9 concerts (the last two concerts of the current season), as well as at the October 15 concert (the first of next season). Checks for season passes should be made out to Music at Oakmont.

2020 DONOR DRIVE

Our 2020 Donor Drive kicks off at the March 12 concert, with donor envelopes to be found in the March and April concert programs. We are most grateful to our generous donors who make Music at Oakmont possible. Though our very capable staff is entirely volunteer, we face the reality that admission receipts cover less than half the actual cost of this or any other serious classical music presentation.

We are most appreciative of the Oakmont Community Foundation for partnering with us in the Donor Drive, making your gifts entirely tax-deductible. Donations of any size are most welcome. Checks should be made payable to Oakmont Community Foundation, with "Music at Oakmont" on the memo line. We thank you in advance!

WHAT: Music at Oakmont

WHEN: Thursday, March 12, 1:30 p.m.

WHERE: Berger Center

ADMISSION: \$25 at the door, or your Season Pass

Oakmont Music Lovers

■Judy Walker

HAVING SOME FUN WITH MOZART

What might be the link between the 18th-century Austrian composer Mozart and a 19th-century pharmacist and Shakespeare aficionado, Eugene Schieffelin, living in the Bronx? Thereby hangs a tale, which will be explored by Rosemary Waller. The unlikely pair did not know each other, of course—they lived quite different lives an ocean and a century apart. But they shared an unusual interest.

This is one of those quirky historical side roads that at first glance strain credulity, and yet there is ample evidence that the events involved actually took place. In Mozart's case, many details are documented in his own handwriting, and offer a fascinating glimpse into the composer's life in Vienna between 1784 and 1787. A partial list of Mozart's astonishing output during these three years includes 12 piano concertos, four string quartets, three string quintets, two piano trios, his serenade *Eine Kleine Nachtmusic* and his operas *Marriage of Figaro* and *Don Giovanni*. One of the 12 piano concertos is an integral part of this intriguing story.

WHEN: Tuesday, March 10 at 10:30 a.m. Please note, this date is the second Tuesday of the month as on our usual first Tuesday time, the East Rec. will be used for voting.

WHERE: East. Rec.

COST: Free



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Oakmont Garden Club

■Patty McHugh



"One of the worst mistakes you can make as a gardener is to think you're in charge."—Janet Gillespie

MARCH MEETING

WHEN/WHERE: Wednesday, March 11, East Rec. Facility (bring key-card)

TIME: Tea and Social at 9:30 a.m., meeting and program from 10–11:15 a.m.

Marjorie MacLeod from MacLeod Family Vineyards will speak on grape-growing and winemaking, as well as the history of the vineyard and the family's passion. MacLeod Family Vineyards is a fourth-generation family-owned vineyard. The winery was begun in 1974 with the clearing of ancient fruit trees, rocks and scrub on the family ranch in Kenwood and today produces award-winning estate wines.

UPCOMING

April: Master Gardener Anne Lowings, A Healthcare Program for Succulents

May: Field Trip in lieu of General Meeting (see below)

THIS MONTH IN THE GARDEN

Already we are seeing blossoms on the trees, plants and bulbs, the swell of leaf buds on many others, and young shoots on grasses and perennials. March is still winter, and days are often brusque, especially when there's wind-chill, but Spring is on the horizon! We are fortunate in that we can work outside in the garden at least some in every month of the year. As we can do so, why is it that there is always something that needs doing? Gardening is a year-round activity for sure!

- Complete winter pruning of deciduous shrubs and trees.
- Plant bare-root plants purchased but not yet planted.
- Prepare vegetable garden by clean-up and digging in compost. You may plant seeds of beets, carrots, chard, lettuce and peas outdoors now.
- Later in the month you can plant summer-blooming bulbs.
- Camelias, some rhododendrons and most azaleas (which are also rhodies) bloom this month. Remove faded blossoms and fertilize with an acid-type fertilizer. Fertilize blueberries and rhododendrons that have not yet bloomed at the same time.
- Perennials and shrubs will appreciate a boost of nitrogen late in the month as spring growth starts; feed with an all-purpose fertilizer.
- Test your irrigation system. Flush drip systems. Turn on your systems, let them run through a watering cycle, then walk around the garden and inspect for wet or dry spots.
- Continue to be diligent in protecting plants from frost. Despite your efforts, you may still have some frost damage. Leave it alone for now and wait until damage from frost is past, then prune out damaged growth.

FIELD TRIP

Did you sign-up at the February meeting for the field trip to San Francisco Botanical Garden on May 20? If you not, please let us know if you are interested. Sign up at the March meeting or place your check in the Garden Club folder at the OVA. Questions? Contact Brenda Steele, bfsteele@aol.com, 833-1886.

Cost is \$65 which includes bus trip, box lunch, docent tour with time for wandering on your own. Club members have priority until March 30. Thereafter (through May 8), if there are still available seats, we will open sign-up to all Oakmont residents.



Oakmont Art Association

■Philip Wilkinson

MARCH MEETING

Ron Elkind is an Oakmont resident and a professional wild life photographer. At our meeting on Friday, March 13 (10 a.m. for refreshments, 10:30 a.m. presentation), he will speak to us and show photos of some of his experiences photographing wild animals in foreign places.

FERENC BESZE

WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

Ferenc will hold his third Oakmont watercolor workshop by popular demand on Saturday and Sunday, April 25 and 26 in the art room at the CAC. It will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day with a break for lunch. The fee is \$180 for OAA members, \$190 for others. Contact Dan Fishman at dfishman@pacbell.net for further details.

Ferenc will also paint a demo painting on Friday, April 24 from 6:30–8:30 p.m. in the East Rec. Center.



**OAKMONT
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■Pastor Brinda

Dear Beloved Community,

Well, spring is in the air and you know what that means, don't you? It's time to turn our clocks ahead one hour, vote in the primaries, leap into spring cleaning mode and return to church. Okay, I made up the last one, but even so, it is always a good time to return to the fellowship of church.

Whether you have ever been a part of Oakmont Community Church in the past or you are new to the community or new to our church or new church in general, we welcome you into our family. You know, God loves you, don't you? He does, and he is waiting for you to come to him.

Rick Warron wrote, "God won't stop loving us when we mess up. The central message of the Bible is this: God doesn't love you because of who you are or what you've done but because of who he is and what he has done. God made you. He loves you. His love is not performance based." The Bible has a word for this. It's called grace—and it's absolutely amazing. The Christian life isn't a mistake-free life, but it is a life of full assurance that because of God's love we are forgiven. God understands our failures, and he loves us anyway. Isn't that great news?

Romans 5:8 "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us" John 14:23 "Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him." 1 John 4:16 "We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him." Jude 1:21 "Keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting anxiously for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life."

These are all good reminders of God's love especially as we enter into this political season ahead. Let us remember that just as God deeply loves us, we ought to love others. It is difficult to love those that don't love us, but regardless, that is our mandate as children of God. So, take a deep breath, abide in His love and let his love abide in you.

We look forward to seeing you this Sunday and every Sunday at church. Be sure to watch for upcoming events and mark your calendars for April 12, for our Easter Sunday Service. God bless you all.

Sunday Morning Worship Service: 10:30 a.m. at the East Rec.

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Hikers

■Tony Lachowicz



The Hard Core of the Oakmont Long Hikers. (Photo by Bill Stacy)

Please keep checking website for updates: www.oakmonthikingclub.com.

MARCH 5 SHORT HIKE RIVERFRONT REGIONAL PARK, WINDSOR

Located adjacent to the Russian River, Riverfront Regional Park features two former gravel pits that have been reclaimed as lakes. We will hike the two-mile Lake Benoist trail and through a grove of coast redwoods on the ½-mile Redwood Hill Trail. May be muddy. Picnic lunch afterwards. Heavy rain cancels. Bring your Sonoma County Regional Parks Pass or \$7

parking. Leave Berger at 9 a.m. Hike leader is Marilyn Pahr, 541-6430.

MARCH 5 LONG HIKE ANNADEL, HENRY'S KNOB

We will drive to the top of Oak Mesa, and walk through Wild Oak to Two Quarry. Connecting with Marsh and Ridge. Henry's Knob has a marvelous almost 360° view. The hike is nine miles and 1,500' elevation gain. Bring lunch, water, hiking poles. We will leave from the Berger Center at 8:30 a.m. Hike leader is Chuck Chenault, 539-1093.

MARCH 12 INTERMEDIATE HIKE SUGARLOAF PLANET HIKE

Planet Walk is a scale model of the solar system designed to fit within the bounds of Sugarloaf State Park. We will hike the full Planet Walk Loop to Pluto of 6.3 miles with an 1100' elevation gain traveling along Brushy Peaks to Grey Pine and back through Meadow. SP Pass or \$8. Leave from Berger at 9 a.m. Hike leader is Donna McCulloch, 539-5730.

2019 HIKING CHAMPIONS

Carl Appelhof and Linne McAleer were the 2019 combined Intermediate/Short hiking champions: 138 miles for Carl and 126 miles for Linne. Carl also participated in the most hikes: 26. And Linne lead the most hikes: 8. The long hike champion was our

president Chuck Chenault who hiked an amazing 217 miles and climbed 34,400 feet. Congratulations to all our winners for setting a mark the rest of us can try to top in 2020.

A REMINDER TO ALL HIKERS

If the hiking trail is more than 30 miles round trip from Oakmont, it is customary to compensate your driver at least \$5 for gas.



Carl and Linne.
(Photo by Keith Sauer)



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Oakmont Homes For Sale



147 White Oak Drive — \$559,000

This lovely 1,540 sq.ft., 2 bed/2 bath Bennett Mountain floor plan is perfect for your active lifestyle. The formal entry leads into the spacious living/dining rooms with vaulted ceilings and access to the private rear patio. The kitchen offers ample counter & storage space, gas range, a pantry area and the refrigerator is included in the sale, as well as the washer & dryer. You'll love the custom cabinets, and so much more. Come see for yourself.



315 Miramonte Place — \$749,000

This 2,013 sq.ft., Gallaher-built St. Helena floor plan has 2 bedrooms, an office/den, 2 baths, large open kitchen, and large living room with vaulted ceilings. This home is located in a highly desirable area of Oakmont and has so much to offer. A newer roof, furnace and water heater are just a few upgrades. The private backyard is perfect for entertaining. The peace and quiet are perfect for relaxing. Great neighbors too!



416 Oak Vista Drive — \$795,000

This 2 bed/2 bath Manzanita floor plan has a very private setting with an outstanding view of Hood Mountain. Master bedroom, kitchen, dining room and office/den all have fabulous views. Master bedroom, front bedroom and office/den all have bay windows. Large lot has pear, grapefruit, lemon and apple trees, as well as grape vines. Patio area is perfect for entertaining guests or just enjoying the views.



6316 Meadowridge Drive — \$929,000

This 2,350 sq.ft., 3 bed/2 bath Gallaher-built Mt. Hood floor plan has beautiful views of Annadel State Park from the large wrap-around deck, perfect for outdoor entertaining. Slate and oak hardwood flooring in kitchen; living room with high ceilings & plantation shutters; large kitchen with Corian counters, double ovens, and gas cooktop. The 3-car garage is the perfect place to park that special vehicle. This is Oakmont living at its best.



6343 Pine Valley Drive — \$949,900

A stunning 2,319 sq.ft., 3 bed/3 bath open floor plan in The Meadows features beautiful hardwood flooring, high ceilings & custom window coverings. The spacious kitchen offers ample granite counters, 5-burner gas cooktop, stainless GE appliances and a large island giving the chef in you a special place to entertain. Don't miss the two master suites both have walk-in closets. You'll love making this beautiful home your own.



7839 Oakmont Drive — \$1,100,000

This elegant 3 bed/2.5 bath Sonoma floor plan, close to the East Rec, features spectacular mountain & golf course views that overlook a seasonal creek. This unique home has a spacious kitchen, custom cabinets, granite counters, a large double sink plus a prep sink. The stainless appliances include gas cooktop, 2 dishwashers & refrigerator. The rear deck is the perfect place to enjoy outdoor living in the Valley of the Moon.

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MARCH 2020

This calendar does not reflect all events scheduled. Changes made on or after the 15th may not be reflected.

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Pétanque Club



■ Don McPherson

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The Oakmont Pétanque Club has announced its tournament schedule for 2020. The club will sponsor three tournaments, beginning with the Printemps (Springtime) Tournament on Saturday, April 18 followed by the Bastille Day Tournament on July 11 and the Oktoberfest Tournament on October 17.

Each tournament will follow a m el e format—randomly assigned teams—with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. A maximum of 18 players can be accommodated for simultaneous play on the three courts as triples teams beginning at 10 a.m. Players, members and guests will enjoy a potluck lunch at 12 noon in the Berger Fireside room.

Late afternoon summer happy hour socials with club play are also being planned.

P ETANQUE AT OAKMONT

The club welcomes all Oakmont residents to enjoy the challenge and satisfaction of p etanque. The club sponsors open play on Wednesday and Saturday mornings with teams chosen randomly as well as tournaments and social events.



Rich Albert pointing.

If you're interested in playing or learning to play, come to the courts (between Berger and the OVA offices/Umpqua Bank and beside the Shuffleboard courts) at 9:45 a.m. on the club play days of Wednesday



Sunny, warming weather brought a full turnout of 18 for club play on a recent Saturday.

and Saturday. We have boules to lend and we'll have you playing immediately. No membership fees are required—just sign up to be on the club roster.

The courts also are reserved 9:45 a.m.–noon for club player-arranged pickup games on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.



The Future of Oakmont Smarter Living Today and Tomorrow

■ Marilyn Pahr

DIGITAL READINESS FOR THE NEXT PSPS OR FIRE EVENT WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 5-7 PM EAST REC.

The meeting will expand on two recent Future's articles on being digitally ready for the next PSPS, fire or earthquake event. Your smartphone and technology can help you prepare for the next emergency and help keep you safe. Even an inexpensive used smart phone can provide you with the alerts you need.

Learn how to sign up for Nixle and SoCo Alerts to your smartphone, why you would be interested in Nextdoor and Twitter accounts, and other sources for critical information.

A panel will demonstrate helpful apps and features like Share My Location. Items that should be in your "Tech Go Bag" will be on display.

Bring your smartphone and be Oakmont Ready and take charge of your safety! Get before a PSPS event, be ready during the warning period for a PSPS event, and learn how to use devices to help endure an actual outage or fire.

The Futures Club meets on the second Wednesday of the month, 5-7 p.m. at the East Rec. If you want to be on our email list, send your email to futureoakmont@gmail.com.





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Travel and Adventure

■September Holstad

The Feb. 3 meeting was very well attended and we learned about Uniworld River Cruises. Uniworld is an all-inclusive river cruise line and they have river cruises all over the world, including the new Peru cruise! Matthew did a wonderful job of introducing many of us to Uniworld.

In addition, Bonnie Lind gave an overview of the newest Oakmont group, the Resident Airport Transportation/Shuttle co-op. Basically, two people agree to take each other to the Santa Rosa Airport, the park and ride for the Airport Express bus, or any of the other airports that both parties agree on. For example: I want to go to SFO for an early morning departure and will return mid-afternoon three weeks later. I contact other members of the group to see if anyone is interested in taking me and picking me up. I then agree to take them the next time to the airport of their choice.

If you want more information please check at the OVA office as they have the information and the sign-up information. I think this can be a real plus for Oakmont.

Our guest for Monday, March 2 will be Regent Seven Seas. Regent Seven Seas is an all-inclusive cruise line (tips, beverages, no specialty restaurant charges and tours). Most shore excursions are included and in Alaska they can add up! I am hosting an Alaska Cruise in August of this year from Anchorage to Vancouver and we will have special pricing and incentives for you. Please join us at 3 p.m. on Monday, Mar. 2 at the West Rec. Upper.

If you are interested in travel and want to hear what various travel companies have to offer, drop by our meetings. Presentations and club membership are free and there is no high-pressure selling.

Kiwanis Club of Oakmont



■Bev Singer

**THURSDAY, MARCH 5
EVENING SPEAKER SERIES
"10 FOR 20: 10 THINGS EVERY ESTATE
PLAN SHOULD HAVE FOR THE YEAR 2020"
BERGER CENTER, 5:30 PM**

Tricia Shindledecker is the guest speaker and is an AV-rated attorney in Santa Rosa. She is a certified specialist in probate, trust, estate planning and an elder law specialist. She has been selected as a Super Lawyer for every year since 2007. She has been an attorney for over 30 years and maintains an office in Oakmont.

The estate plan put in place 10 years ago was probably perfect for the year 2000, but small, incremental changes made in the last decade may leave that 10-year old plan woefully out of date, says Ms. Shindledecker. Mark March 5, 5:30 p.m. on your calendar! Wine and refreshments will be served.

The rest of the Thursdays of each month are 8 a.m. morning meetings at the Berger Center. A breakfast including scrambled eggs and fruit are served.

June 13: the Carnitas y Margaritas event will return to the Berger Center—mark your calendars!

The Oakmont Kiwanis Club is involved with community projects and helping local schools. Recently they volunteered when the shredding trucks were in Oakmont and will again next summer when they return.

You are invited to attend and enjoy Kiwanis events. For more information call me at 477-7648 or email bjcsing@sbcglobal.net.

Tennis Club



■Joanne Phillips

OTC SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND BREAKFAST SATURDAY, MARCH 14

The 2020 Oakmont Tennis Club season kicks with the Spring Membership Meeting on Saturday, March 14, Eat Rec., 9 a.m. Come get your 2020 OTC Membership Roster, mingle with the new board and committee chairpersons, and hear about all the events and club activities instore for the upcoming year. Hearty breakfast fare will be served up by our board along with delicious and delightful Bloody Mary. OTC members and their guests may attend this event. See you there!

TENBEER (TENNIS + BEER) STARTS ON THURSDAY, APRIL 16

Every Thursday evening at 5:30 p.m., beginning April 16 through August 20, the OTC will host drop-in Tenbeer. Bring a snack to share, the beverage of your choice, and prepare to have a blast. Participants can choose to play, or just watch and socialize.

Board members will take turns hosting with Kim Clement, our Tournament Director, taking the lead for the first Tenbeer of the season. So come down to the West Rec. Courts on Thursdays and have fun with your OTC buddies.

FEBRUARY 14 WINE AND FOOD TASTING EVENT

Valentine's Day for many OTC members and their guests was a massive success thanks to the OTC wine and food tasting event. All wines served were Larsen Projekt creations developed, Robert Larsen, the speaker for the evening. The food was divine and paired wonderfully with the selected wines. Thanks to the OTC members who volunteered to set-up, cook, serve and, after the event, clean up.



Robert Larsen educates OTC Members and Guests at the OTC Wine and Food Tasting Event.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The OTC Board is pleased to announce the 2020 club events schedule:

March 14: Spring Membership Meeting, 9 a.m., East Rec. Center

April 16: Tenbeer Kickoff, 5:30 p.m., West Courts

April 18: Potluck and Poker, 6 p.m., East Rec. Center

May 21: Hatfields vs McCoys—BBQ dinner, 5:30 p.m., West Courts

June 28: Woods and Whites—Wimbledon Breakfast, 9 a.m., West Courts

July 4: Sparklers vs Rockets, 9 a.m., West Courts

August 20: Mixed Tournament, 5:30 p.m., West Courts

September 19: 9 a.m., West Courts

October 3: Women's Doubles Tournament, 9 a.m., West Courts

October 12: Fall Membership Meeting, 6 p.m., West Rec. Center

November 13: Army vs Navy Tournament, 9 a.m., West Courts

November 14: End of the Year Awards and Dinner Party, 6 p.m., Berger Center

Playreaders



■Norma Doyle

Playreaders meet every Monday from 2-3 p.m. in the Central Activity Center, Room B. Guest are always welcome. Come early so that we can meet and greet you.

The First Play: On March 2 Norma Doyle will present the second act of *The Things We Do for Love* by Alan Ayckbourn. Readers include Norma Doyle, Ginny Zoellner and other readers, yet to be confirmed.

The Things We Do for Love is a 1997 play by Ayckbourn, is a wondrous mix of domestic comedy and sexual tragedy. It is about two women renewing their past friendship as they prepare to share different floors in an apartment with an unusual artist living in the basement and a fiancé of one of the women. *The Things We Do for Love* belongs to an uncomfortable genre, the betrayal farce, both painful and uproarious. *The Times* stated that it was "...sharp and gorgeously funny."

The Playwright: Sir Alan Ayckbourn (1939-) is a prolific British playwright and director. He has written and produced more than 70 plays. His plays have won numerous awards, including seven London Evening Standard Awards. They have been translated into over 35 languages and are performed on stage and television throughout the world. Ten of his plays have been staged on Broadway, attracting two Tony nominations and one Tony award.

The Next Play: On March 9 Ron White will present a one act play *Wanda's Visit* by Christopher Durang. Readers are Dennis Hall, Joyce O'Connor, Ginny Smith, Ron White and Malcolm Wing.

Wanda's Visit introduces us to Jim and Marsha, who have been married for 13 years. They are feeling

a little bored, a little unhappy and a little restless. Suddenly, out of nowhere, Wanda (Jim's nutty high-school girlfriend) shows up for a visit and becomes the true "guest from hell." Jim and Marsha's marriage and their world teeter on the brink as Wanda throws their lives into disarray in this hysterical, comic tour-de-force.

The Playwright: Christopher Ferdinand Durang (1949-) is an American playwright known for works of outrageous and often absurd comedy. His work was especially popular in the 1980s, though his career seemed to get a second wind in the late 1990s. *Wanda's Visit* was originally done for TV with the beleaguered couple played by Jeff Daniels and Julie Haggerty and the nutty Wanda played by the marvelous Swoosie Kurtz. His play *Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike* won the Tony Award for Best Play in 2013.

Durang is co-director of the Lila Acheson Wallace American Playwrights Program at Juilliard.



In mid-February Playreaders read *Kindness* by Adam Rapp. Readers were Cynthia Corn, Norma Doyle, Hal McCown, Al Johnson and Dennis Hall.



Interval Training

■John Phillips

Studies have shown that Interval Training helps keep us young and active and promotes weight loss more than any other activity including cardiovascular work. If you need some new ideas on how to work out, then you may want to check out our Interval Training class.

It takes place on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Lower West Recreation Center at 2 p.m. Equipment needed: lite hand weights, a non-slip mat and water, and the ability to get off the floor.

The first session is free, drop-in fee is \$8 or you receive 10 sessions for \$64.

Aerobics Class

■Betsy Smith

This class is for those who want to start a fitness program or stay fit!

WHAT: Low impact aerobics class

WHEN: Tuesdays

TIME: 4:30–5:30 p.m.

WHERE: West Rec. Center downstairs

COST: \$8 per class or four classes for \$25 or eight classes for \$50

WHY: To enjoy keeping fit with friends while working out to catchy music and from your aerobics base. You should be able to get up and down from the floor.

INFO: Bring yourself, water, mat, weights

INSTRUCTOR: Betsy Smith, bsmith@sonic.net

QiGong



■Shera Carlton

All without our conscious mind being aware; our beings are kept in constant contact with a higher source of intelligence. Jiegi are the 24 “small” seasons each year. When the angle changes on the sun, these bends effect all life. Each is associated with a vertebrate in the human spine.

WHAT: Qigong practice

WHEN: Saturdays from 9–10 a.m.

WHERE: Lower West Rec. Center

Donations of organic fruits and vegetables appreciated.

Forrest Yoga

■Carol King, RYT (Registered Yoga Teacher)

WHERE: West Rec. Center—Lower Level

COST: \$60 for six classes. No perfume please.

INFORMATION: <http://www.carolkingyoga.com>; email carolking1234@yahoo.com; 696-5464

CHAIR STRETCH AND BALANCE CLASS

WHEN: Thursdays 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Come and do as much or as little as you need. Focus is on body alignment, core strength and range of motion. Students may stay seated for the entire class or safely explore balance. Small free weights are used to tone and strengthen the upper body.

Equipment: bring free weights of 1, 2 or more pounds, the weight you want to work with, bring water

FORREST YOGA CLASSES

WHEN: Tuesdays 12:30–1:30 p.m.; Thursdays 9–10 a.m.

Focus inside and feel your breath. Release tight areas and explore the possibilities for healing and change. Challenge yourself with strengthening abdominal work.

Forrest Yoga does not require strength or flexibility; it only requires that you bring a willingness to learn how to feel authentically and respond honestly.

All levels welcome. People with injuries or conditions are encouraged to attend.

Equipment: yoga mat, water, beach towel/yoga blanket.

Oakmont Health Initiative Free Fitness Classes

■Charlene Bunas

WHAT: YMCA Healthy Living—free classes by JoRene

WHEN: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 9–10 a.m.

WHERE: Berger Center

As 2020 marches from the month of love to the month of luck, loving hearts express appreciation for the founders of Oakmont Health Initiative and for the joy-filled aerobic instructor guiding each class.

When Tom and Teresa Woodrum moved to Oakmont they saw the need for free aerobic classes. OVA approved their vision, but not the funding. Hence, Woodrums committed to financing the program. They organized multiple fundraisers every year (two years ago, Oakmont Foundation agreed to help with that support). Oakmont is lucky that this hard-working couple continues to emphasize fitness in Oakmont!

JoRene Woodworth, 62, has taught aerobics for decades, building a library of playlists, a wardrobe of workout clothes and a devoted following of students along the way. Her Oakmont classes have at least 70 people three mornings a week.

Her life, the one she shares with husband Craig, is good, even after a major setback. The October 2017 wildfires took their home and everything in it. It even stole playlists and spandex clothes. Their reality was reduced to ash.

But within two weeks after the devastation, she was back, welcoming students with her characteristic optimism and upbeat smile. Through their own sufferings, teacher and student alike resolved to build not only muscle but community as well.



Today JoRene and hubby are back in a new-to-them home. She's painted, hung cabinets and even installed lighting. They also welcomed their first grandchild! All the while, this example of positive attitude and gratitude has never missed leading her classes.

Oakmont Health Initiative realizes love and luck are only two components of the blueprint for health. During this month, they are timely considerations.

Balance and Strength Building

■Betsy Smith

WHO: Those who want to start a fitness program, improve or stay fit

WHAT: Strength and Balance class using weights, large balls, little balls, and bands

WHEN: Thursdays, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

WHERE: West Rec. Center downstairs

COST: \$8 per class or four classes for \$25 or eight classes for \$50

WHY: To enjoy keeping fit with friends while working out to catchy music and from your fitness base. You should be able to get up and down from the floor.

INFO: Bring yourself, water, mat, weights, and a large ball you can sit on if you have them.

INSTRUCTOR: Betsy Smith, bsmith@sonic.net



Water Fitness

■Valerie Hulsey

We had some really warm days in February and hopefully more to come in March so if you want to have a fun hour of exercise in a toasty warm pool at the West Rec. Center please join us.

Bring something warm to wear when you get out of the pool—a swim parka or warm robe would be perfect

No special equipment is needed when you start—plenty of buoys and noodles you can borrow.

The no-fee classes shown are paid for by the Santa Rosa Junior College Adult Program and the other classes are an \$8 drop-in fee.

MARY'S REGULAR SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

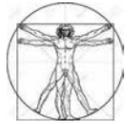
Monday: 9 a.m. \$8; 10 a.m. no-fee SRJC class

Tuesday: 9 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. no-fee SRJC class

Wednesday: 9 a.m. \$8; 10 a.m. no-fee SRJC class

Thursday: 9 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. no-fee SRJC class

Fitness Club



■John Phillips

WHY HIRE A TRAINER?

I recently had two incidents regarding personal training. The first was a member asking me why would someone hire a personal trainer? This took me by surprise and I wasn't able to make a very good case on why you should hire a personal trainer. After thinking it over, my first remark would have gone something like this: Why do you hire an accountant, financial advisor or a mechanic? You want their expertise and knowledge on the subject. I find it interesting how many people feel that they know enough to create a workout for themselves and yes, there are basics to working out.

There are some theories and ideas that may be helpful in someone's workout that the common person may not be aware of. I try to watch people working out and if I see something that could be potentially harmful, I try to correct them. I don't feel that I know everything but I am constantly continuing my education to pass on to you the latest in health fitness. There are new discoveries about the human body that we thought were facts that have turned out to be incorrect.

The second incident concerned a couple who had asked a friend who works out to help them design a program for themselves. While watching him, it became apparent he was not comfortable with our equipment and upon further questioning, he was not aware of what muscle groups he was trying to work. He should have asked me about the machines, that is the reason why I am here. Please don't hesitate to ask me about the machines and what they do.

These are just a few reasons why you may want a trainer. A trainer can help with pre-operations by getting you stronger for recovery. A trainer can help with post-operations after physical therapy to continue the recovery process and take you to the next level. A trainer can also help you train for various types of competition. He can also help with some activity of daily living that you may be having difficulty performing. There is a reason for our purpose. Not all people need a trainer but for those who do, that is why I'm here to help and hopefully make your life better.

Also, if you are a member of the Fitness Club you are entitled to a free 20-minute one-on-one with me. Please let me know if you are interested.

If you have any questions, please feel free in stopping by and asking or call me at 494-9086, or email me at wkuout2@aol.com. I hope to see you all at the Fitness Center.

Free Windows PC and Smartphone Help

Do you have a smartphone or PC computer with which you need assistance? Howard Neckel, Carl Appellof or Andy Holroyd-Sills may be able to lend a hand. If you would like to see if one of them can help, call Howard at 282-9030, Carl at 291-5278, or Andy at 775-5220.

We are looking for additional people to help our Oakmont neighbors with their PC problems. If you'd like to volunteer, please call Carl at 291-5278. Thanks.

SIR Branch #92



■Bern Lefson

LUNCHEON ON MARCH 10 THE BEES KNEES

Our speaker knows how important bees are to our food production. She raises bees and she will discuss the high value of the pollinators.

Susan Kegley is Principal and CEO of Pesticide Research Institute and co-owner of Bees N Blooms Farm. Susan is a Ph.D. chemist and founder of Pesticide Research Institute, an environmental consulting firm focused on understanding the scope of pesticide impacts on the environment and human health. PRI works to provide data and toxicological information to help governments and consumers understand the potential impacts of pesticides and make informed decisions about pesticide use. With her husband Geoff, Susan is also co-owner of Bees N Blooms, an 11-acre organic farm in SE Santa Rosa on Petaluma Hill Road.

In addition to a superb speaker, we will enjoy a delicious lunch with choice of entrée: Steak Fajitas with Spanish rice and warm tortillas; Chicken Fajitas with Spanish rice and warm tortillas or Cheese Enchiladas with Spanish rice.

Interested in outstanding speakers and lunch along with a number of outside events for you and your partner? We get you out of the house and making new friends. Contact John Barrett at 318-4633.



■Ray Haverson

MARCH 24—THE GREAT MICKEY GILLY WITH JOHNNY LEE

They will be performing the 40th Anniversary Show of Urban Cowboy. Marie and I saw this show in Laughlin Nevada and we can only say wow, every song was a standing ovation. What fun we had! Cost will be \$55 per person. Doors will open at 5 p.m., show will start at 6 p.m. at the Berger Center. There will be reserved tables so you can bring your own drink and snacks. Sit back relax and enjoy a wonderful show and a great night out. Both entertainers are Grammy winners.

For the best seats reserve now. The show is 60% sold out so don't miss out!

Please remember if you want to be guaranteed seating with your friends and family you must have all names and payments in one envelope. Place the envelope in the OVA Office in the Sha-Boom's folder.

COMING UP

May 8—Cinco De Mayo Party. Whole new menu by Zack's Catering (he did our New Year's dinner). Free door prize drawing. Party will be at the Berger Center. Seating will be by reservation at round tables. Great food, great music and great fun! Doors open at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m.

We have a lot more coming in future articles, so watch for them.

OTLC Spring Classes Are Now In Session

■Tina Nerat

Detailed technology course descriptions and schedule as well as registration is online at www.oakmont-learning.org. Courses offered are:

- 1. Apps for web, computers, and devices:** Social Media, Evernote, Google Search, Google Apps, Google Photos, Lumosity, Quicken, Spreadsheets, Smartphones in Emergencies.
- 2. PC:** Windows 10, Windows 10 File Management.
- 3. Mac:** Photos for Mac, Mac OS Mojave.
- 4. Android:** Android phones.
- 5. Apple Devices:** iPhones (basic through advanced), iPad (basic through advanced), iPhone Photography, Apple Watch.

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Oakmont Macintosh Users Group

■Linda Koeplin

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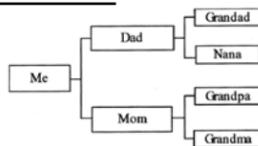
Annual dues are \$10 per member. Three ways to join: at any meeting; a check made payable to OakMUG and sent to Justine Haugen, Treasurer, 8926 Acorn Lane, Santa Rosa, CA 95409; or you may put your check into our file in the OVA Office.

MAC TECHNICAL HELP

If you need technical help with your Mac or other apple product, call Ronnie Roche, Certified Apple Consultant, 573-9649.

A free service to our membership, send your Mac questions by email to the following email address: OakMUGTechHelp@gmail.com. An OakMUG Mac expert will either get you an answer or will recommend someone who can.

Genealogy Club



■Melinda Price

At the March 23 meeting George McKinney will present "The Lives of Famous Women in America before Suffrage." He'll be drawing on genealogical information (i.e., census and BMD records) about some of the "movers and shakers" such as Susan B. Anthony, Carrie Chapman Catt, Annie Oakley, and Clara Barton, both to show how information can be gathered about women in the 1800's and also to give us some interesting areas for discussion.

If you haven't already signed up to receive the monthly e-mail newsletter from George about recent genealogical events and resources, please do so.

And a reminder: Denise Beeson is currently holding a free class on genealogy research offered by the SRJC. Her subject is "Migration—European Roots," focusing on researching migration from the "old world" to America. The class, which began Jan. 14, meets in the East Rec. small conference room from 9:30–11:30 a.m. every Tuesday, and will continue through May 19.

The Oakmont Genealogy Club regularly meets upstairs in the West Rec. Center on the fourth Monday of each month, except July and December, at 1 p.m. There are no club dues, and everyone is welcome to attend our meetings, both newbies and experienced researchers.

For information about genealogy research or club activities please visit our website at: www.oakgenclub.org. Past programs are posted there as well as tips and links. If you have research questions or would like to receive our e-newsletter, email: oakmontancestry@aol.com.

Caregiver Support Group

■Vickie Jackanich

ARE YOU A CAREGIVER NOW?

The changes are often quite subtle. Perhaps your spouse seems to have lost interest in longstanding pastimes. Or can no longer quickly calculate the restaurant tab. Or is walking so poorly that you are doing more and more of the chores. Often these changes are hard to discuss with your spouse. You don't want him or her to feel badly! But you may also be feeling more and more alone at home.

Many newcomers to the Oakmont Caregiver Support Group talk about having an almost sudden realization that they are now in a caregiving role to their spouse. It's a relief, they say, to find a group that understands.

If this sounds like you, come join the group! It's drop-in, so try us out whenever you can. Whether your family member is deep into dementia or has cancer, you will find support. We share ideas and experiences—and laughter—as we talk about how to best provide for our loved ones and keep our own spirits lively. A lot of resource information is available, too.

The Oakmont Caregiver Support Group meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, 10:30 a.m.–12 noon, in the Central Activities Center, Room B. It is facilitated by Dorothy Foster, LMFT. For more information, call me at 595-3054 or email dicnvic@comcast.net.



Trione-Annadel Hike with A Naturalist

PRESS RELEASE

SPRING WILDFLOWERS AND PLANT USES

DATE: Saturday, March 14

TIME: 10 a.m. hike departure to about 1 p.m.

LOCATION: Richardson Trailhead—end of Channel Drive

We will take our time (probably three hours) with frequent stops to enjoy and identify the wildflowers, talk a little about the traditional uses of plants we encounter, and catch our breath on the up-hills. The route will include approximately 450' elevation gain over about four miles of varied trails, some rocky and uneven. Hike returns to same parking area about 1 p.m. Hike leader John Lynch is a volunteer Interpretive CA Naturalist who enjoys sharing his passion of nature and our local parks. Feel free to make iNaturalist citizen science observations along the hike—download the free app before you arrive at the park. Information is available at the Visitor Center.

An example of what we might see: Calypso Orchid, Mission Bells, Milkmaids, CA Buttercups, Larkspur, Meadowfoam, and more!

Wear hiking shoes, layers appropriate for weather; bring water and a snack. Some trails are rocky and uneven, trekking poles recommended. Heavy rain cancels.

Day use fee \$7 per car (\$6 for seniors) pay at STOP sign on Channel Drive. No advance reservations needed. Dogs not allowed. There are restrooms and water at the parking area.

Directions: from Montgomery Drive, turn onto Channel Drive and follow the road in approximately ¾ mile to the STOP sign. Pay fee or display State Park Pass. Drive one mile to the large parking lot. Please park snug with other vehicles to accommodate the most cars.

Please see the Trione-Annadel State Park website for more details about the park (http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=480, click "Park Events"). You may also read John Lynch's bio on our website.

Free Movies for Seniors!

PRESS RELEASE

Free Seniors Movie Series at the Third Street Cinemas in downtown Santa Rosa will continue through June 4. As usual, a choice of three or four movies will be shown on the first Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. No tickets are needed, and the doors open at 9:30 a.m.

It is not possible to publicize an advance list of films, but for a list of the three or four movie titles for each month, call the Third Street Cinemas recording the week of the series: 525-8909 x 2. The movies are free for seniors, 60 and older. Detailed flyers are on display in the lobbies of the Roxy 14, the Airport 12, the Summerfield and the Third Street Cinemas in Santa Rosa, as well as the Raven Film Center in Healdsburg.

The Series is generously being sponsored by Santa Rosa Memorial Park and Mortuary, Eggen & Lance Chapel, Kobrin Financial Services, and Hired Hands Homecare.

The Third Street Cinemas is located at 620 3rd Street between Santa Rosa Avenue and "D" Street (in the Courtyard behind the Third Street Aleworks and BiBi's Burger Bar), only 1-1/2 blocks from the Downtown Transit Mall, where all city and county busses arrive and depart. There are also two parking garages close by. The rate is 75c per hour, but those with handicapped placards may park free at parking meters on the street.

For more info, contact Gwen Adkins at the Santa Rosa Entertainment Group: 523-1586 x 21 or 484-7328 cell.

Zentangle™ Art Classes Are for You!

■Betsy Smith, Instructor

WHO: Anyone who wants to explore being creative
WHAT: If you can draw a dot, line, squiggly, circle or square, etc., you can do the Zentangle™ Art Method. We use repeated patterns to create art pieces. Anyone can do it "one stroke at a time!"

WHEN: Second and fourth Mondays

WHERE: Central Activity Center Art Room

TIME: 4:30–6 p.m. **COST:** \$10 per class

INFO: All supplies provided. Be sure to register before class starts to reserve a space. Please email Betsy at bsmith@sonic.net.



AARP Free Income Tax Service Available in Oakmont

■Frank Tindal, Team Leader

The Tax-Aide program operated by AARP in partnership with the IRS is now available here at the Berger Center. The team of volunteers has been hard at work providing free income tax service for seniors and low-income families for several years.

The service will be available on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through April 13. In order to provide service to folks who cannot work-in an appointment on those days, the team of volunteers will now be available for appointments on Friday afternoons, starting March 13 through April 10.

Taxpayers need to drop by the Berger Center to make an appointment and get the IRS-required interview form in preparation for their appointment with a tax counselor. If you have any questions about the AARP tax service, please call me at 537-6927.



■Pat Clothier

It's that time again—when the Oakmont Community Foundation hosts its most generous donors at our annual Valentine Dinner as a thank-you for all they do. These generous and thoughtful people have helped the OCF to grow from a mere idea to a real helping hand in the community we love.

With the help of these donors OCF has contributed to Music at Oakmont, Oakmont Health Initiative, Oakmont Art Association, Volunteer Helpers, Caregivers Support Group, Grandparents Group, Volunteer Helpers, Visual Aids and Genealogy Club. And this was just last year!

Not only these people are generous, they're also great company and we had a wonderful evening together.

As always, grateful thanks to Marco and Karin at Ca' Bianca for their efforts in furnishing a delicious dinner and great service.

If you'd like to support OCF, you can do so easily. You may direct your donation for a specific group, you may make a gift in honor or in memory of someone, you may make it to the Foundation's general fund or to its endowment. However you choose to give, you will be helping our community.

We hope you'll join us—perhaps we'll see you at our next Valentine Thank-You Dinner.

Oakmont Square Dancing Club



■Susan McLean

Hello square dancers. Upper West Rec. will not be available on Election Night, March 3, so our treasurer Donna has invited us to dance in her home. Please join us at 368 Singing Brook Circle.

WHAT: Club Level Dancing with professional caller Lawrence Johnstone. We've learned most of the basic calls and are moving on to mainstream level. Lawrence has been mixing them up to keep us moving, learning new calls and having fun. He finishes each tip with a singing call chosen from a variety of musicals genres—from Broadway show tunes to country, rock and old standards.

WHEN: Tuesdays from 6:30–8:30 p.m.

WHERE: West Rec. Center, Upper Level

COST: \$6 donation per person

Phil Herzog is an experienced dancer who can work with newer dancers or those who have missed a few lessons or help you brush up if you haven't danced in 10 or 20 years. Phil also encourages anyone who wants to dance more often to join us on Sunday evenings.

WHAT: Workshop with Phil Herzog

WHEN: Sundays from 6:30–8 p.m.

WHERE: West Rec. Center, Lower Level

COST: \$3 per person

For information call Jenny at 367-2102, Susan at 367-0417 or Phil at 843-3053.



Movies At Oakmont

■Barbara Bowman

WHERE: Berger Center

SCREENING DAYS AND TIMES: Sundays at 2 and 7 p.m.

HOSTS: Barbara Bowman, Ernie Erler, Al Haggerty, Carol Haggerty, Mike McInnis and Jeff Neuman.

NOTE: All films are shown with English subtitles when possible, free of charge—compliments of the OVA.

MARCH 1, 2 AND 7 PM
THE FAREWELL



After learning that her family's beloved matriarch, Nai Nai, has been given mere weeks to live, Chinese-born, U.S.-raised Billi (Awkwafina) returns to Changhun to find that her family has decided to keep the news from Nai Nai. While the family gathers under the joyful guise of an expedited wedding, Billi rediscovers the country she left as a child, and is forever changed by her grandmother's spirit. Based on a true story, Awkwafina won a Best Actress Golden Globe and the comedy-drama was nominated for an Oscar. (2019), PG, 98 minutes.

MARCH 8, 2 AND 7 PM
ROCKETMAN



This epic musical biopic embarks on the spectacular journey of Elton John (Taron Egerton) in his rise to fame. With incredible performances of Elton's most beloved songs, the film explores how a small-town boy became one of the most iconic figures in rock and roll while telling the story of his life's ups and downs. Egerton does a terrific job of portraying the entertainer. A totally fantastical and splendiferous movie which won the Oscar for Best Original Song. (2019), R (language/sexual content), 121 minutes.

MARCH 15, 2 AND 7 PM
FORD V FERRARI



American car designer Carroll Shelly (Matt Damon) and the fearless British-born driver Ken Miles (Christian Bale) together battle Henry Ford II (Tracy Letts) and corporate interference as well as the laws of physics to build a revolutionary race car and take on Enzo Ferrari at the 24 Hours of Le Mans in France in 1966. A classic underdog story based on real events, the film is fun and engaging, with the relationship between Shelly and Miles taking center stage. Nominated for four Oscars, including Best Picture. (2019), PG-13, 152 minutes.

FOR YOUR REFRIGERATOR/WALLET

Sunday, March 1, 2 and 7 p.m.: *The Farewell*, (2019), PG, 98 minutes.

Sunday, March 8, 2 and 7 p.m.: *Rocketman*, (2019), R, 121 minutes.

Sunday, March 15, 2 and 7 p.m.: *Ford v Ferrari*, (2019), PG-13, 152 minutes.

Let's Dance—Together!

■Terry Whitten

LEARN THE BASIC STEPS OF RUMBA

WHAT: Beginning Rumba partner dance classes
WHEN: Wednesdays, March 4, 11 and 18, from 4–5:15 p.m.

WHERE: Lower West Rec.

COST: \$10/pp for single class. \$8/pp for two or more classes purchased in advance at beginning of class.

In March, come join the fun on Wednesday afternoons and learn the basic steps of the beautiful Rumba. It is one of the easier partner dances to learn and is a great dance to start with if you are new to

partner dancing. Rumba is a Latin dance and is danced to slower music than Cha Cha or Salsa. Besides Latin music, there are also a lot of contemporary non-Latin songs that Rumba can be danced to.

No partners or experience are required. We will rotate partners during the classes. We also welcome any ladies that want to lead and any men that want to follow.

For any questions, please email me (Terry Whitten) at twhitten@pacbell.net or call me at (415) 265-7590 (cell.)

Just for Fun Games Club

■Phillip Herzog

WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, WHY?

The Just for Fun Games Club is a great place to make friends and play all sorts of old and new games like: Rummikub, Hand and Foot, Pan, Settlers of Catan, Parcheesi, Spades, Splendor, Ticket to Ride, Uno, Mah Jongg and so much more! We meet in the Card and Game Room at the CAC (Central Activities Center) every Saturday at 1 p.m., and on the second and fourth Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. There are multiple games being played at the same time and you will always be able to choose what game you want to play. We are not too

serious—because we play games Just for Fun!

We have a large collection of games on hand and players often bring new and different games as well. If you have any games that you would like to donate or lend to the club, please let us know.

Come check us out even if you are not good at games, we enjoy the extra company. Everyone is welcome to come and have a good time at the Just for Fun Games Club. Come and have fun with us!

For more information contact me at 843-3053 or send an email to goldguyphil@gmail.com.

Oakmont Sunday Symposium



Berger Center, 7902 Oakmont Dr.
 Sunday, 10:30 a.m.–12 noon
 \$3 donation

www.oakmontsundaysymposium.org

■Marilyn Pahr

MARCH 8: TOM TREMONT MAGICIAN EXTRAORDINAIRE

NOTE: March 8—Daylight Savings Time. Move your clocks one hour forward.

Now you see it ... now you don't. Ab-ra-ca-dab-ra! For a fun change of pace, we will be razzle-dazzled and mystified by Tom Tremont. He promises not to make any of us disappear for longer than a minute or two (but he will need a willing volunteer to be cut in half). Bring your courage and your curiosity—but please leave your bunny rabbits at home.



Tom Tremont, Oakmont resident, has had a long career in magic, coming from a magical family. Early on he learned sleight of hand magic from his father, "Honest Mike." Tom entertains at trade shows, renaissance fairs, home and corporate parties and has done television appearances.

MARCH 15: DR. BRUCE ELLIOTT DUELING ARTISTS: TITIAN & TINTORETTO

Money, passion and talent clashed in brilliant creations of artistic mastery in the 16th century. For more than 60 years Titian was the undisputed master of Venetian painting. Tintoretto, a former apprentice to Titian, rose to challenge his technique, etc. Tintoretto was a professed and ardent admirer of Titian—but never a friend. Competition for recognition, patrons, and influence drove one of the most fruitful artistic duels of the Renaissance.



Dr. Bruce Elliott, Ph.D. in History (UC Berkeley), teaches highly popular, history courses for Stanford, Berkeley, Sonoma State University, and the SRJC. For Oakmont Lifelong Learning program he has taught classes on the Renaissance, The Northern Renaissance, and the Great Cities of History. Every Summer, Bruce leads travel-study trips to historic sites in Europe.

COMING UP

March 22: Lynetten Lyons, *Animals*
 March 29: Tom Jorde, *Inside the Supreme Court From a Former Law Clerk*
 All Oakmont residents and their guests are welcome.



432 Hillsdale Drive—Warm and inviting expanded Pinewood model with many wonderful features including wood floors, raised hearth fireplace, updated and open kitchen, and charming garden with patio and fruit trees. \$15,000 roof credit at close of escrow. \$599,000



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Bocce Club



■Linda and Don McPherson

BOCCE CLUB BOARD MEETING

The Bocce Club Board met on January 30 and heard reports from various chairs. The courts are reopened after completion of entry way path restoration. Court surfaces have been repaired and they are playing true and fast to everyone's delight. The board endorsed enthusiastically a proposal for a competitive Tuesday Evening Bocce League to begin in May. The club continues to grow and has surpassed last year's membership.

TOURNAMENT NEWS

Winners in the February 15 Valentine's Day Tournament, the first of the new year, were: Cindi Clemence, Jane O'Toole, Jean-michel Poulnot and Jim Tosio; Jeff Clemence, Chris Duda, Frank Giannini and Maureen McGettigan; Tony D'Agosta, Ellean Huff, Don McPherson and Margaryta Sarram.

Next up is the St. Patrick's Day Tourney on Saturday, March 14 at 1 p.m. Tournament play is limited to 24 participants. Be sure to get to the courts early, in time to reserve a place for the chip draw for teams and courts at 12:45.



Valentine's Day Tourney Winners Jean-michel Poulnot, Jane O'Toole, Jim Tosio and Cindi Clemence.



Valentine's Day Tourney winners Don McPherson, Margaryta Sarram with grandson Vlad, Ellean Huff and Tony D'Agosta; Chris Duda, Maureen McGettigan, Jeff Clemence and Frank Giannini.

CLUB PLAY AND OPEN PLAY

During Winter hours all three West Rec. Bocce courts are reserved solely for club play Monday through Saturday beginning at 1 p.m. and continuing until club play has concluded on all courts.

Courts are available for play at other times by both club members and non-member Oakmont residents. To ensure availability, both club members and non-member Oakmont residents may reserve courts in advance for specific times and dates by contacting the Club Vice President. Non-member Oakmont residents must provide their own equipment and observe the posted rules for court use.

WINE COUNTRY GAMES

Club members are beginning to sign up on the bulletin board at the Bocce shed in four-person teams and alternates for the 2020 Wine Country Games Friday and Saturday, June 5-6 at the Julliard Park Bocce Courts in Santa Rosa. Information is available and registration opens on March 1 at: <https://www.councilonaging.com/choose-a-sport>.



Women of Faith Bible Study



■Gayle Miller

DAVID: SEEKING A HEART LIKE HIS BY BETH MOORE

Presentation is on a large-screen TV (titles for hearing-impaired). Class has workbooks.

David: Seeking a Heart Like His by Beth Moore is a compelling women's Bible study of David. In this examination of the "man after God's own heart," David will delight and disappoint you. If you've ever experienced doubt, temptation, loss, family problems, or personal inconsistencies, this study is for you!

God will never give up on you. Explore how David's life proves this promise to be true.

Beth Moore is a Christian speaker and Bible Study author. She enjoys getting to serve women of every age and denomination and she is passionate about women knowing and loving the Word of God.

This is your personal invitation to join with us in Bible study. These presentations are not to be missed! Beth's presentation of the Bible just brings it to life and her engaging style of speaking keeps you interested and enthralled to the very last word! This is a weekly, non-denominational study.

Our class is small and informal—a very comfortable setting to meet new people and gain new knowledge of the Bible.

You are welcome to start class at any time. March 3, 10 and 17 will be on *Revelation*. The new study of David starts on March 24. Please contact Cynthia for additional information.

DATE: Tuesday **TIME:** 9:30-11:30 a.m.

PLACE: Meeting Room B, Central Activity Center

CONTACT: Cynthia DiBenedetto, 538-4505

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WHEN: Thursday, March 26 at 7 p.m.

WHERE: Berger Center

COST: \$25, theater seating

Back by popular demand, former Kingston Trio singers George Grove and Rick Dougherty team up with Jerry Siggins to perform an evening of songs from the great Folk Era of the '50s through the mid-70s.



SPRING 2020 CLASS PREVIEW

WHEN: Wednesday, March 25; 2:30 p.m. music and refreshments, 3 p.m. Program

WHERE: Berger Center

Come hear about the classes and talk to the professors!

- *From Buffoon to Philosopher King: The Many Faces of Abraham Lincoln*—Instructor Mick Chantler, M.A.
- *Creating a Global Democracy for a Peaceful, Just and Sustainable World Community*—Instructor Dr. Bob Flax
- *Four Films Revealing Reality: How Documentaries Convince Us*—Instructor Ernie Rose
- *The Summer of Love: San Francisco Rock in the 1960s*—Instructor Richie Untergerber
- *Damaged Democracy: On the Root of Contemporary Democratic Dysfunction*—Instructor Dr. David Peritz

Sign up for updates on our classes and our 2020 Concert Series at www.oakmontll.org.

FOLK LEGACY TRIO RESERVATION FORM

To purchase tickets, go to oakmontll.org, complete this registration form and return it to the OLL folder at the OVA office or pay at the door. Advance purchase highly recommended.

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NEXT EVENT: MARCH 28 PICNIC

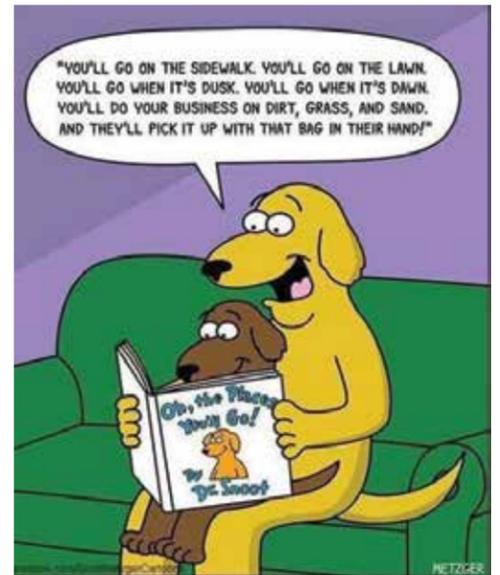
We are having two picnics in 2020. This first is a make-up for our cancelled 2019 picnic. It will not be cancelled come rain or shine as we are indoors on March 28, 12-2 p.m., West Rec. Center. Come and enjoy BBQ ribs, games and prizes, all at no cost for members. We ask you to bring a potluck item.

More details on what to bring, and how to RSVP will be coming soon. For now, make sure you save the date on your calendar. This is a "members only—humans only" event. Sorry, no pups permitted inside the West Rec.

DID YOU MISS OUR FIRST YAPPY HOUR?

Don't worry we are doing it again—April 16, 3-4 p.m. This time we will meet up at the East Rec Parking Lot.

Last month we met in front of the Berger, and you are all invited to join us again in April. Guest always welcome!



WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE DOG PARK?

We are still on track to break ground in March and it looks like, so far, that we are under budget!

MEMBERSHIP

If you have not renewed your membership yet for 2020, do drop off your check in our folder in the OVA office. Annual dues are \$12/individual, \$20/household. Membership forms for new members are available in our folder at the OVA office or download at www.oakmontcanineclub.org.

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Visit <https://fawnrescue.eventbrite.com>, www.fawnrescue.org or call 529-5370 to purchase your ticket(s) today!

Santa Rosa Symphony League

■Elizabeth Kern

PRESS RELEASE

CREATE A HAT AT THE HATTERY OF SONOMA COUNTY SUNDAY, MARCH 22

You're invited to create a hat—perhaps an Easter bonnet— that is perfect for you at The Hattery of Sonoma County, a one-of-a-kind millinery school in Santa Rosa. Proprietor Jennifer Webley will give us



a tour of her factory and hat museum, introduce us to a variety of hats she creates (Fascinators, Take Me to the Derby hats, Cloches, Fedoras, Boaters, etc.) and help us craft a hat of our own, perfect for our individual style. If you have any personal ornaments—fabrics, brooches, trinkets—you'd like to incorporate

into your hat, please bring them. Price includes tour, materials, and a delicious luncheon and wine.

WHEN: Sunday, March 22 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

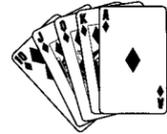
WHERE: The Hattery of Sonoma County, 1240 Petaluma Hill Road, Santa Rosa

INFORMATION: Elizabeth Kern, 849-2264 or Marilyn Chiotti, 539-6073

TICKETS: \$100 General; \$90 League Members. Buy online at srsymphonyleague.org or send check to Santa Rosa Symphony League, Attention Festival of Parties, 50 Santa Rosa Avenue, Suite 410, Santa Rosa, CA 95404.

The Santa Rosa Symphony League supports the Santa Rosa Symphony Institute for Music Education in raising funds for music education for youngsters in Sonoma County. This event is part of a series of lectures, musicals, and cultural activities known as the League's "Festival of Parties."

Duplicate Bridge Twice a Week



■Jackie Reinhardt

The Duplicate Bridge Club has two games a week: 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and 12:30 p.m. on Fridays, all in the card room of the Central Activity Center. It is a friendly, low-key group who enjoy a more challenging way of playing bridge. There is a small fee, currently \$4 per person, which pays for a professional club director who organizes the game and pays for our club membership with the American Contract Bridge League.

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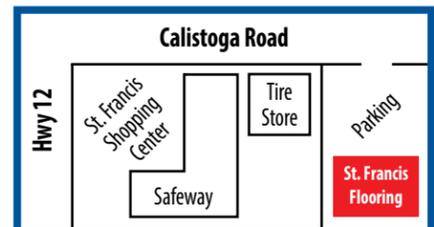
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■ Nancy Crosby

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DAY: Fridays **TIME:** 10:15-11:50 a.m.

PLACE: OVA Office conference room, 6637 Oakmont Drive, Suite A

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