OAKMONT NEWS

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Aspen Meadows: The Corner That Grew

■Carolyn Greene & Jeana Garcia



Jeana Garcia, Landscape Coordinator for Aspen Meadows sub-HOA, in the newly landscaped entrance to the complex. (Photo by Julie Kiil)

When a big, 50-year-old tree split and fell across the entrance to Aspen Meadows sub-HOA in mid-2024, it took the quiet of an ordinary day with it. No one was hurt, but Aspen Meadows' entrance suddenly looked dingy and tired.

Seventy-seven homes make up Aspen Meadows, and like most sub-HOAs, it runs on a modest budget and goodwill. When the tree crew left, funds were depleted and the corner was just a sad patch of dirt.

Jeana Garcia, an Aspen Meadows resident and volunteer landscape coordinator, began removing what was left of the old and dying plants that were left. Neighbor David Hicks, who lives in the home at the entrance, asked when a new tree would be

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Creek and Waterway Maintenance

■Christel Antone, OVA General Manager

OVA continues its efforts to maintain the creeks and waterways throughout Oakmont to help ensure proper water flow and reduce the risk of flooding, particularly as we approach the rainy season.

Our maintenance team has been clearing accumulated vegetation, debris, and other obstructions that can restrict water flow during heavy rains. While some areas may look different following this work, these efforts are necessary to help protect nearby homes and community property.

We recognize that the natural beauty of Oakmont's creeks and waterways is important to our residents. Our goal is to balance preserving these natural areas with maintaining proper drainage and protecting our community.

We appreciate the residents who have brought areas of concern to our attention and thank everyone for their understanding as this important maintenance work continues.

Improving Oakmont Traffic Safety

■Emily Keram, Vision Zero Oakmont

November marks California's Office of Traffic Safety annual "Slow the Fast Down" campaign, making it the perfect opportunity to introduce Vision Zero, the City of Santa Rosa's proactive traffic safety initiative, to Oakmont and to solicit OVA member input into the City's plan to repave Oakmont's public streets in 2027.

WHAT IS VISION ZERO?

Vision Zero is a multi-national road safety initiative built on a simple but profound premise: no loss of life on our roadways is acceptable. Vision Zero treats traffic collisions as preventable system failures. Responsibility for road safety involves collaboration between city planners, engineers, law enforcement and the community. By combining data-driven street design, targeted traffic enforcement, and public education, the City of Santa Rosa aims to completely eliminate traffic fatalities and severe injuries while increasing safety for everyone.

VISION ZERO OAKMONT

Whether you are driving, biking, walking, enjoying a morning jog, using mobility-assistance, or driving a golf cart, everyone deserves to feel safe on our streets. To directly address local road safety and protect all road users, the Oakmont Village Association has formed a dedicated Vision Zero Oakmont (VZO) workgroup, which includes Roni Davis, Jennie Richards, and Emily Keram, and is led by OVA's general manager, Christel Antone. This group is actively collaborating with the City of Santa Rosa to adapt Vision Zero principles to our roads through community education, examining speeding trends, and finding ways to improve the road sharing experience.



Emily Keram (right) and Michael Vanmidde from the City of Santa Rosa's Transportation and Public Works Dept. stand next to the crosswalk at Oakmont Drive and Laurel Leaf Place. (Photo by Christel Antone)

LOOKING AHEAD: 2027 STREET REPAVING PROJECT

The timing of these safety efforts is crucial. The City of Santa Rosa is scheduled to repave all of Oakmont's

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President's Message: Elections Have Consequences

■Steve Spanier, OVA Board President

As I write this, America is on the verge of what some believe is the most consequential mid-term election in a long time. By the time this article runs, we'll know the results.



OVA board election season is also coming. Candidate registration opened last month and will be open through January 15. With that in mind, I thought it would be nice to write about the critical importance of good HOA governance. In that spirit, I offer for your consideration the following best practice suggestions for HOA board members.

BEST PRACTICE #1: THE COMMUNITY COMES FIRST

I believe a board member's North Star has to be what is in the best interests of the community. Clarity on this point comes from understanding that Oakmont—not the individuals who currently live here—is the community in question. Oakmont residents come and go, but the community will hopefully outlast us all and continue to serve those who move here long into the future. With good decisions, board members can ensure the community remains a desirable place to live.

With a "community first" philosophy in mind, board members should not vote based on what they, their neighbors, or their friends want. They should not

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Firewise Presentation
Insurable or Not? What Every HOA Resident Needs to Know

■Iris Harrell, Firewise Task Force

Finding and keeping affordable homeowners insurance has become a challenge for many Oakmont residents. The Oakmont Firewise Task Force will host a presentation on Monday, Nov. 23, at 1 p.m. in the Berger Center to help homeowners understand what insurers are looking for and how to prepare.

This meeting will also be on Zoom: Meeting ID: 851 7759 8109; Passcode: 845475.

Christi Spina, owner of Spina Insurance Agency in Santa Rosa, will present "Insurable or Not? What Every HOA Resident Needs to Know!" The 45-minute presentation will be followed by a 15-minute question-and-answer session.

Spina will discuss how wildfire risk affects insurance availability and renewals, along with mitigation measures carriers may expect, including defensible-space landscaping and home hardening. She will also address California's Zone 0 requirements concerning the first five feet around homes and explain how aging roofs, electrical panels, HVAC systems and water heaters can affect insurability.

Other topics will include challenges facing sub-HOAs seeking group insurance, the California FAIR Plan and supplemental coverage options.

Attendees will learn practical steps that may help improve their home's insurability, manage insurance costs and better protect their property.

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Emergency Communications Task Force Drill





ECTF led a drill scenario in Oakmont to simulate a weather event with shelter-in-place and evacuation scenarios on Oct. 24. (Photos by Julie Kiil)

New Horizons Free Holiday Concert

■Oakmont Village Association



New Horizons Band of Sonoma County will be performing their Holiday Concert on Saturday, November 21, at 2 p.m. at the Berger Center.

This concert will include favorite Charlie Brown themes, a Sinatra medley, the gorgeous Gabriel's Oboe, Leonard Bernstein's "Simple Song," two Christmas marches, "C'est Noël," "Midnight Sleighride," an African carol, "Baba Yetu," and more! They will also be including a sing-along for the audience to join in singing favorite traditional holiday songs.

All concerts are free. Berger Center fills quickly each year for this event, so arrive early for a good seat!

If you are interested in joining the New Horizons Band, contact the Music Director, Michael Milbrath at mikemilbrath0@gmail.com.



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planted. When Jeana told him money was needed to buy a tree, David gave her $300 "to get it started."

Word traveled the way it does in a neighborhood—other donations arrived and before long, $850 was volunteered for the project.

Over the course of the next three months, a beautiful Strawberry Tree (Arbutus 'Marina'), some drought-tolerant plants and drip irrigation system were installed, and pavers were added along the curb border.

On "mulch day," neighbors came out to help spread 4 cubic yards of mulch on the newly planted entrance. It felt like a party!

A week after the landscape project was completed, an emerging pumpkin patch started growing in the Hicks's front yard! Raysa Escoto-Hicks had tossed last year's pumpkins under a bush, and surprisingly, they reseeded, creating a beautiful display of pumpkins and gourds.



Jeana Garcia (front) and Raysa Escoto-Hicks with her dog Jake near the abundant pumpkin patch on the corner of Raysa's residence at 6563 Meadowridge Drive.

Now the corner where a tree once fell greets everyone who drives by with color, texture, and a few round orange surprises.

There is still work to do. The old welcome sign needs refurbishing, and Aspen Meadows residents are thinking of ways to raise the money. After all, they started with no budget and a bare patch of dirt. Now they have a proud neighborhood project and a pumpkin patch!

Passages

Wilhelmina "Mimi" Van Liere Batchelder-Brown passed away on October 9 at the age of 93.

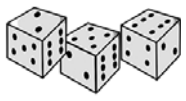
She purchased her home in Oakmont in 2008 before making the permanent move in 2015. She loved playing her Ukulele with the Ukesters and was an avid reader in her local book club.

A memorial gathering will be held at her late residence, 341 Oak Leaf Circle in Oakmont from 12–2 p.m. on November 22.

Please contact OVA Communications Director Crissi Langwell by e-mail at crissi@oakmontvillage.com, to publish the name and date of death of your loved one in the *Oakmont News*.



Bunco Ladies Night



■Barbara Wooley

ROLL, CHAT, LAUGH!

Looking for something fun to do during the dark fall/winter nights? Ladies Bunco Night is a popular and fun activity held twice a month for Oakmont residents (and their guests). Bunco is a simple, no skill required, dice game that is played with partners. You do not need to arrive with a partner since partners change with each round of play. Beginners are always welcome! Several players win cash prizes at the end of each night!

Our usual nights are the second and fourth Monday of each month; however, there are exceptions, so always check your Oakmont calendar. Please arrive by 6:45 p.m. for check-**WHERE:** Card Room, Central Activity Center

WHEN: Second and fourth Monday of each month, Nov. 2, Dec. 14 and 28. 6:45 p.m. (play is about 1-1/2 to 2 hrs.)

FEE: $5/night is required for each participant

CONTACT INFORMATION: Jill Butler, (760) 468-1743, jillivannili@sbcglobal.net; Barbara Wooley, (408) 839-9545, wooley_barbara@yahoo.com



Photo by Barbara Wooley.

Jewish Interest Group

■Howard Sidorsky

KLEZMER MUSIC AND LATKES PARTY

We are getting it together! We will have our "Klezmer Music and Latke Party" on Dec. 20, at the East Rec. Center. We should start around 4 p.m.

As you may recall from last year, this was a very popular event—so well attended that it was standing room only. The Klezmer Creek band will perform, and we will have plenty of latkes. We'll even have applesauce and sour cream, you decide.



Klezmer Creek Band.

We know Hanukkah will be over by the time we have our party, but trying to get a room in Oakmont in December is a problem. We had to settle for our regular third Sunday of the month slot. We hope you can be flexible and carry on the Hanukkah spirit for another week!

What do we need from you? Well, we hope that you will: 1) attend, bring friends, and send an RSVP; 2) bring a dish to share; 3) bring a beverage and plastic glasses; 4) donate $ for the band and latkes.

So RSVP with the number coming to howard@sidorsky.com.

OVA Employee Appreciation Fund

■Oakmont Village Association

As the seasons change and the holidays draw near, many members ask, "How can we show our appreciation for the OVA staff?"

In response, the OVA Board created the Employee Appreciation Fund in 2016. This fund allows residents to recognize our dedicated non-management staff with a year-end holiday bonus as a special thank-you for their hard work throughout the year.

If you would like to contribute, please send your donation by December 11 to the OVA Office at 6637 Oakmont Drive, Suite A. Checks should be made payable to OVA, with "EMP APP Fund" written on the memo line. All contributions will be distributed to staff at year's end.

The OVA team is grateful to work with such a supportive community, and we thank you in advance for helping us make this holiday season brighter for our staff.

Members May Opt-In to Electronic Voting

■Oakmont Village Association

The Board of Directors election is coming up in April of 2027. Members (OVA homeowners) are automatically enrolled to vote by mail unless they have opted in to vote electronically. If you opted in to vote electronically in last year's election, you do not need to take any action to vote electronically this year. However, if you voted by paper ballot last year or are a new Oakmont homeowner and wish to vote electronically, you will need to opt in by completing the form posted at oakmontvillage.com/electronicvoting. The attached QR code will lead you to the online consent form.

The OVA office must receive the opt-in form by January 6, 2027 for it apply to the April 2027 election. Members need to opt in only once to be eligible to vote electronically in future elections. Forms received after this date will not apply to the upcoming election but will remain valid for future elections.

Electronic voting will be conducted through Pro Elections, OVA's Inspector of Elections, using a secure, third-party system in full compliance with California Civil Code. This ensures ballots are safe, private, and properly managed.

Electronic voting offers several benefits, including the convenience of ballots delivered directly to your inbox, the security of a trusted system, and the timely delivery of election materials without the risk of postal delays.

Participation in electronic voting is voluntary. If you voted by paper ballot last year and would prefer to continue voting by paper ballot, you do not need to do anything.

Please note: OVA members are Oakmont homeowners. Each household is entitled to one vote.

Consent forms can be filled out online at oakmontvillage.com/electronicvoting, or they may be printed and filled out, then returned by mail or dropped off at the OVA office (Oakmont Village Association, 6637 Oakmont Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409), or emailed to electronicvoting@oakmontvillage.com. Forms will be available at the OVA office.

For questions, contact Amber Mariani at electronicvoting@oakmontvillage.com or call (707) 539-1611 ext. 108. You may also contact Amber if you voted electronically last year, and wish to go back to voting by paper ballot.

Annual Turkey Drive Set for November 21

■News Staff

Oakmont will hold the Ninth Annual Turkey Drive from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, November 21 in the Berger parking lot. Donations of frozen turkeys benefit the Redwood Gospel Mission's Great Thanksgiving Banquet, an annual feast held at the Fairgrounds, which provides meals to over 5,000 people. Your donation of turkeys or money can also help to provide food boxes to families in need. The drive marks the tenth year Oakmont has participated in this important community outreach.

If you are unable to purchase a turkey, you may still make a donation during the hours of the drive. Please drop off a check made payable to the Redwood Gospel Mission or call drive organizer Susan Chauncy, (775) 313-7911, to make arrangements for check pick up.

Oakmont Pétanque Club

■Don McPherson

RULE DEVELOPMENTS 2026

The Official Rules of Petanque are published by the international federation. But the Rules are dynamic because the Confederation of Petanque International Umpires issues new interpretations from time to time. Valley of the Moon Pétanque Club Umpire Ted Ricketts recently reviewed for players several such interpretations issued in 2026.



Rachel Meserve and Ro Nicholson, holding a regulation plastic throwing circle. The interior diameter of the circle is 50 centimeters. The plastic circle itself, which functions as a foul line, is out of bounds. A player's feet must remain on the ground within the perimeter of an imaginary cylinder that rises from the inside edge of the plastic circle.

Circle Placement: By Rule, the circle is placed around the final position of the cochonnet in the prior end. At the sole option of the throwing team, the circle may be moved back (never forward) directly in line—but only if the cochonnet cannot be thrown to all valid distances, i.e., only if less than 10.5 meters remains to an endline either forward or backward. Moreover, the circle may not be moved back any further than necessary to allow a 10.5-meter placement.

Foot Faults: The player must plant both feet inside the circumference of the throwing circle and no part of the body may touch the circle perimeter or the ground outside. No part of the foot, including a raised heel, may break the plane of an imaginary cylinder rising from the inside edge of the circle.

Altering the Terrain: A player may not press down, crush, or displace anything on the terrain. For each throw, a player may carefully fill in one divot but may never in any manner tap or sweep the ground in front of a boule to be shot or smooth a directional path.

In tournament play umpires can assess penalties for violations. In non-tournament casual play when there is no umpire, there is no penalty. Nevertheless, the opposing team is free to admonish violators and insist on application of the Rules unless the club has adopted less stringent local rules.

PÉTANQUE IN OAKMONT MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, SATURDAY

The club encourages all Oakmonters who may be interested in playing or learning to play pétanque (pay-tonk), also known as Boules, to come to the courts between Berger and the OVA offices at 9:45 a.m. on the Club play days of Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday. The club has boules to lend while you're learning, and you'll be playing right away. Club play days are casual friendly games with teams randomly designated.

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compromise their principles to stay in office or minimize dissent. Instead, they should muster the courage—and, make no mistake, it often takes courage—to vote based on what will make the community most desirable to current and future residents.

Good board members are community stewards. Each elected board takes a virtual baton from the previous board and runs their leg of the relay race that comprises Oakmont's history. After their term, they pass the baton to the next board, with the community hopefully in better shape than when they took office. That is the fiduciary responsibility the law requires of all HOA board members.

Of course, it probably goes without saying that 100 people will have about that many different visions of what is in Oakmont's best interests. In the end, the vision must combine such competing elements as desirable and smoothly functioning amenities, an attractive appearance, relative affordability and—perhaps requiring the most consistent focus—a welcoming, friendly, inclusive and giving culture. Not easy, but board members must try.

BEST PRACTICE #2: DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT

The most talented and experienced board member can't do the job without dedication. Dedication is required to read board packets, participate in board meetings, research and consider difficult issues and withstand community pressure. We are volunteers and the position should not take over your life, but you must be willing to put in the time when necessary.

BEST PRACTICE #3: A GOOD TEAM PLAYER

Since all board members are just one vote of seven, it's important to check egos at the door and function effectively within a team. Inevitably, board members disagree on policy issues. It's an art to disagree without being disagreeable. Being a good team player means bringing imagination, ideas and perspectives, having an open mind, listening thoughtfully, and respecting board and community members alike. A balanced, even demeanor also makes it easier to get along with others.

CONCLUSION

Although they're certainly helpful, I don't believe vast community experience and knowledge of HOA law are as important as some may believe. These can be acquired through dedication and commitment to the job.

Because the law grants them significant authority, board members can make a huge difference in communities like Oakmont. Four positions are available in our next board election. If you believe you can follow the best practices listed here, please run for the board. It's essential to good governance that strong candidates run for and hold board positions. Oakmont is, after all, our home.

Serving others is the highest calling and, although some may think it's a thankless job, I can assure you that's far from the case here in Oakmont. Residents will appreciate what you do and many will tell you so. It is in giving that we receive and it's particularly rewarding, I think, to give locally to the community in which you live.

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OAK at the VOM Golf Club

■Khiana Schmuhl,
General Manager, Valley of the Moon Club

Valley of the Moon Club has a full calendar of activities this month, with golf opportunities, live music, special dining events and holiday celebrations.

GOLF NEWS

The club's Thursday Spark Winter League began earlier this month, offering a casual, nine-hole golf experience with friendly competition. The league is designed to be social and welcoming to golfers looking for an enjoyable afternoon on the course.

New golf rates will take effect Nov. 15, along with a change to eight-minute tee time intervals on both the Valley of the Moon and Sugarloaf courses. Special rates remain available for Oakmont residents and seniors.

The club is also accepting tournament and golf outing bookings for 2027.

DINING AT THE OAK

The OAL/K restaurant is offering several seasonal specials throughout November, including mini apple crisps for $8 and select wines for $8 per glass on Thursdays from 3–7 p.m.

On Wednesday, Nov. 18, the restaurant will host Prime Rib Night, featuring prime rib, cheesy scalloped potatoes, seasonal vegetables and a glass of house wine or a soft drink for $55 per person. Reservations are available for seatings between 3 and 6 p.m.

A Thanksgiving buffet is planned for Thursday, Nov. 26, with doors opening at 11:30 a.m. and seating at noon. The menu includes carved turkey breast, prime rib, traditional stuffing, garlic mashed potatoes, seasonal sides and holiday desserts. Cost is $65 per adult and $35 per child.

Thanksgiving meals will also be available to go, with orders due by 5 p.m. Nov. 21. Reservations are required for both dine-in and takeout orders. Call (707) 539-0415, ext. 6, for information and reservations.

MUSIC AND CREATIVE EVENTS

Live Music Mondays continue at the club, with the Fargo Brothers performing Nov. 16, Coffey Park on Dec. 7 and Showcase Band on Dec. 14. Doors open at 4 p.m., with music from 5–7 p.m. A $10 cash cover charge applies.

The club also offers guided paint nights, with a Waterfall Tree painting scheduled for Nov. 13 and a winter-themed Cards in the Cold painting on Dec. 11. No painting experience is necessary, and all art supplies are included. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Register at www.paintedcellarssoco.com/events.

HOLIDAY HOURS AND REMINDERS

On Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26, the Sugarloaf course and shop will be closed. The Valley of the Moon Pro Shop will be open from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., with tee times available from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. The driving range will close at 2 p.m., and all carts must be returned by 3 p.m.

The club reminds residents that fishing is not permitted in golf course ponds for safety reasons. Those walking the courses are asked to observe designated walking hours, which are posted on the club's website.

For more information about upcoming activities, golf rates, reservations and events, visit www.playvom.com or call (707) 539-0415.

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2027 Board Election: Call for Board Candidates

■Oakmont Village Association

Candidate nominations for election to the Oakmont Village Association Board of Directors are open. There are four (4) board seats up for election.

Those who are interested in running can submit their candidacy in one of three ways.

1. Enter it online at pro-ei.com/hoa/oakmont (preferred method);
2. Email the form that was sent to you from Pro Elections via email or post mail to info@pro-ei.com, or mail it to PO Box 390, Murphys, CA 95247 (if sent by mail, it is your responsibility to make sure Pro Elections receives it by the deadline);
3. Send an email to info@pro-ei.com that includes your name, the name of your association, and your property address within the association.

If, at the close of the time period for making nominations, there are the same number or fewer qualified candidates as there are board positions to be filled, then the board of directors may, after voting to do so, seat the qualified candidates by acclamation without balloting.

Candidacy submissions must be received by the Inspector of Elections by end of day January 15, 2027. A Pre-Ballot Notice will be sent on Jan. 29, 2027. Ballots will be sent on March 4, 2027. Deadline for ballots to be received by Pro Elections is April 4, 2027. The election is scheduled for Apr. 5, 2027.

Election information is available online at pro-ei.com/hoa/Oakmont.

Letter to the Editor

THE COST OF STANDING STILL

Oakmont is a remarkable community. With two golf courses, swimming pools, recreational facilities, and numerous amenities, we enjoy an exceptional quality of life for HOA dues of approximately $135 per resident monthly.

But maintaining that quality of life requires a willingness to invest in our community's future.

Sudden Valley, a golf course community near Bellingham, Washington, offers a cautionary example. For years, proposed dues increases failed, even as roads, drainage systems, swimming pools, and other facilities deteriorated. Eventually, the community faced substantial deferred maintenance and significantly higher dues.

The lesson is simple: Postponing maintenance doesn't eliminate its cost. It often makes that cost considerably greater.

In 2019, more than 76% of Oakmont voters supported purchasing our two golf courses, which faced serious financial and maintenance problems. Today, under CourseCo's management, the courses have been substantially improved, preserving valuable recreational amenities and open space.

Well-maintained facilities also help protect property values. Prospective buyers consider not just individual homes but the appearance, amenities, and overall condition of the community. Neglecting these assets could ultimately diminish the value of our homes.

Certainly, not every proposed improvement deserves approval, and concerns about dues increases are legitimate. But responsible stewardship requires balancing today's costs against tomorrow's needs.

The question isn't simply how little we can spend today, but what we must invest to preserve the Oakmont we value for tomorrow.

Gary Andersen

VOM Rotary

■Valerie Hulsey

HAPPY HOUR

The members of the Valley of the Moon Rotary Club invite you to join us at our new time and place. Beginning in August we became a Happy Hour Club at the West Rec. (upstairs) and we enjoy some social time at 3:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 4 on the second and third Mondays of the month.

Our speaker on November 9 was Julie Ann Steinberger from the Forget Me Not Farm. The farm serves as a haven for children and animals to bond, learn, and heal.

Next week, on Nov. 16 Christine Gonzales will tell us about Today and Together which is a nonprofit adult day services program here in the Sonoma Valley.

Due to the year-end holidays, we will not be meeting in December but we will return on January 11.

Oakmont Singles Social Club

■Bailey Penzotti

NOVEMBER MIXER
ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER!

DATE AND TIME: Sunday, November 22 at 4:30 p.m.
WHERE: East Rec. Center



Once again, Oakmont Singles will gather for a wonderful catered Thanksgiving meal to celebrate all that we are grateful for. There will be food, fun with door prizes, a candy corn count, and background music for your listening pleasure. As always, it's BYOB. Your cost is $45 per member. Yes, this is an increase from previous years. As you know, costs for everything went up.

The absolute deadline for to register for our mixer is Monday, November 16. If no computer, feel free to email me at bailey.osc1@gmail.com for RSVP and immediately drop off a $45 to the OSSC folder where you'll find an envelope for this event.

As before, we will have a table in the back to accept donations for the Sonoma County Homeless Veterans outreach holiday drive. Please bring a donation of various items they may use such small personal hygiene products, soap, socks, underwear, blankets, coats and any gently used men's tennis shoes or men's hiking boots that you no longer wear. There will be a table in the back of the room dedicated accepting your generous donations.

DECEMBER BON APPETIT
(OSSC MEMBERS ONLY)

WHEN: Thursday, December 3, reservation at 6 p.m.
LOCATION: Thai House, 525 4th Street, Sata Rosa, thaihousesantarosa.com/

Thirty years after opening its doors in downtown Santa Rosa, the restaurant Thai House continues to serve authentic Thai food within its tranquil and ambient atmosphere. When the original owners retired, a long-time waitress, Natta, assumed ownership of the Thai House then she persuaded Mam to join her in America from Thailand. Mam's own culinary skills, fresh ingredients, and specialty recipes, passed down from generation to generation, brought even more time-honored Thai dishes to the Thai House.

Our reservation is for 5 tables of 4 each for a total of 20 members but we may be able to reserve 6 tables with enough interest, The restaurant will provide separate checks at each table. Registration opened on November 6 until the slots are filled. Meet at Berger Center parking lot by 5:30 p.m. to carpool to the restaurant. RSVP on our website under upcoming events or email Simone Smith, ssmith8151@aol.com.

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Lifelong Learning

■Marlena Tremont

WINTER CLASS PREVIEW

Wednesday, December 9
2:30 p.m. Music and Refreshments, 3 p.m. Program Begins

Meet our Winter class instructors in person at the Berger or on Zoom at OakmontLL.org.

THE MACCHIAIOLI: THE OTHER IMPRESSIONISTS
Instructor: Heidi Chretien
Mondays, January 11, 18 and 25, 3–5 p.m., Berger
3-weeks: Cost: $50 or $37.50 with discount

HEALTH AND HEALTHCARE IN AMERICA: WHY IS IT MORE EXPENSIVE FOR LESS?
Instructor: Philip Madvig
Wednesdays, Jan. 13, 20, 27 and February 3, Berger, 3–5 p.m.
4-weeks. Cost: $65 or $48.75 with discount

PROGRESSIVE ROCK MUSIC OF THE 1960S-70S
Instructor: John Kendall Bailey
Thursdays, Jan. 14, 21, 28 and February 4, 11, 18, East Rec, 2–5 p.m.
6-weeks. Cost: $95 or $71.25 with discount
(Note early start time)



WORDS AND IMAGES— WRITING PICTURE BOOKS FOR ADULTS
Instructor: Stacey Dennick
Mondays, Feb. 1, 8, 15 and 22, Berger, 3–5 p.m.
4-weeks. Cost: $65 or $48.75 with discount

WHAT'S THE TRUTH? EVALUATING MEDIA REPORTS IN SCIENCE, MEDICINE, AND HEALTH
Instructor: Dennis Drayna
Wednesdays, Feb. 10 and 17, Berger, 3–5 p.m.
4-weeks. Cost: $65 or $48.75 with discount



Purchase multiple classes at the same time for the same person in the same semester and receive a 25% off the total. To register for classes or concerts, go to OakmontLL.org, fill out a form with payment in the OVA office or pay at the door.

THE BLUEBYRDS
Friday, December 18, 7 pm, Berger Center
Tickets $25. Table seating

For the first time on our Lifelong Learning stage, OLL presents the folk masters of Sonoma County. Take a trip down memory lane with the softer side of rock and roll, focusing on 1965–1969 tunes.

Selections include the jangle and harmony of icons such as Buffalo Springfield, The Byrds, Bob Dylan, The Lovin' Spoonful, and The Beau Brummels.

Performers for this hometown favorite include Linda Hutchinson, Bass and Vocals; Rick Minervini, Drums; Steven Nank, Acoustic and Electric Guitars, Harmonica and Vocals; and Tom Richardson, Acoustic and Electric 6- and 12-string Guitars and Vocals.

Songs that stand the test of time for music lovers of all ages.

Oakmont Art Association

■Linda O'Connor

TREASURES OF THE PHARAOHS BUS TRIP TO THE DE YOUNG MUSEUM

OAA is sponsoring a bus trip to the de Young Museum on Tuesday, January 12, 2027 to view this exhibit. This exhibition brings the world of the pharaohs to life through 130 exquisite works spanning 3,000 years of history.



It begins with the pharaoh, who was seen as both a king and a god. Explore how Egyptians viewed death not as an ending, but as a new beginning—and the elaborate rituals they created to prepare for it. Objects found in tombs—such as jewelry, cosmetics, tools, and furniture—offer a glimpse into daily life and values. A special highlight is the US debut of objects from the Golden City, a newly unearthed workers' community near Luxor. The suddenly abandoned city is a moment frozen in time, much like Pompeii. Together, these artifacts illuminate one of history's most extraordinary civilizations.

This trip will be open to all residents of Oakmont and their guests whether they are residents or not. The bus will leave the Berger parking lot promptly at 8:45 a.m. for an 11 a.m. entry time at the museum and return by approximately 3:45 p.m. Lunch is not included but the museum cafe has good meals. The deadline for signups is December 29.

Prices are: $45 for de Young Museum members; $75 all others. Make checks payable to (no cash) Oakmont Art Association (not "OAA"). Include telephone number and email address; museum membership number (if applicable); emergency contact name and phone number.

Please take your check to the OVA office and leave it in the Art Association bus trip folder. If you have questions, contact Bob Tanner, our Tour Director, at bob.tanner100@gmail.com or call (707) 806-2100 for more information. We expect this to be a very popular trip so sign up as early as you can.

The Oakmont Art Association and the Oakmont Village Association assume no liability for this trip.

OAKMONT OPEN STUDIOS RETURNS!
NOVEMBER 21–22, 10 AM–4 PM

Explore original creations by 20+ artists in their studios or at the OAK Restaurant. Meet the artists, discover unique treasures, and perhaps take home a masterpiece! Admission is free. Participant list and map: oakmontart.com/openstudios.

Playreaders

■D. Hall

COOKING UP HOLIDAY FARE FOR DECEMBER

On November 2, Sarah Shankman returned to an eager audience with a reading of her original *Some You Win*, followed by D. Hall reading *Betwixt in Berlin*.



Two Across *by Jerry Mayer. Readers were Sandy White, Ginny Smith and Mark Parsons. (Photo by John Dolan)*

Star Power followed on November 9 with *Blind Date*, by Horton Foote. It featured Power, Wes Doerr, Marcel Coder, and D. Hall. Playreaders' annual holiday presentations are on tap for December.

Join us for Playreaders presentations the first two Mondays of every month at 2 p.m. in Room B (Birch) of the Central Activities Center.

OVA Kicks Off Holiday Season with Tree Lighting Celebration

■Oakmont Village Association

The holiday season is almost here, and Oakmont Village Association invites residents to come together for an afternoon of music, sweet treats and holiday cheer.

Join us on Thursday, Dec. 3, at 4 p.m. at the Berger Center for a festive holiday gathering featuring cookies, tea, hot cocoa and live holiday music performed by the Oakmont Jazz Club. The celebration will culminate with the official lighting of the large Christmas tree inside the Berger Center, marking the start of the holiday season in Oakmont. Be sure to check out the ornaments on the tree, which many of the clubs created and decorated to represent their group.

The menorah will also be on display in recognition of Hanukkah, which begins at sundown on Dec. 4 and continues through Dec. 12.

The gathering will also serve as the kickoff for the annual Toy and Gift Drive benefiting the YWCA, hosted by Oakmont Rainbow Women and OVA. Residents are encouraged to share the spirit of giving by donating toys and gifts, which will be collected Dec. 3–14 at the Berger Center and the OVA office.

This year's celebration takes the place of Winter Wonderland, the outdoor holiday display that has brightened Oakmont for the past two years. Due to concerns about winter weather, rising tree costs and the potential for damage to outdoor decorations, OVA has decided to take a different approach to this year's festivities.

While the celebration may look a little different this year, the spirit remains the same: bringing neighbors together to enjoy the warmth, joy and generosity of the holiday season.

All Oakmont residents are invited to join us as we light up the Berger Center and welcome the holidays together.

Star of the Valley Church

■Barbara Gasparini

CELEBRATE ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS WITH US!

All are invited to start the Christmas season with an inspiring Advent Prayer Service at Star of the Valley Church on Thursday, December 3. Our speakers will be Sister Joann Heinritz, a sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet, and our own parishioner, Marcy Fox.

Sister Joann has been a spiritual director, retreat director and instructor at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkely for over 20 years. Sister Joann also conducts parish missions throughout the United States and has been a retreat director in Ireland every summer for over 15 years.

Marcy Fox is a member of Star of the Valley Parish and has presented a series of lectures on the world's religions and led meditations and discussions for the Oakmont community. She has authored several educational workbooks and journals and led professional workshops throughout the United States and Ireland.

We are so fortunate to have Sister Joann and Marcy Fox lead our Advent Prayer Service. Sister and Marcy will focus on the theme of "Choose Faith" for the prayer service. We will then continue to celebrate Christmas with an old-fashioned Christmas Carol sing-along and end with a special Christmas tree lighting. Please bring family, friends and neighbors.

WHEN: Thursday, December 3
TIME: 3–5 p.m.
WHERE: The Advent prayer service will be held in our Star of the Valley Church. Sponsored by Star of the Valley Women's Circle.

Great Decisions Discussion Group

■Martin Behr

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS IN DISCUSSING GREAT DECISIONS

Are you interested in being informed and sharing knowledge about current world affairs? "Great Decisions" is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. It focuses on some of the most critical global issues facing America today. The program involves reading the *Great Decisions Briefing Book* and meeting in a discussion group with your Oakmont neighbors. There are 30-minute videos available online to supplement the Briefing Book.

Early 2027 will be an especially interesting and challenging time to discuss world affairs, in light of the midterm elections, the turbulent foreign policies of the Trump Administration, and the continuing global search for resolution of the wars in Iran/Middle East and Ukraine/Russia and the existential challenges of relations with China, Global Warming, and AI. These topics are included in the 2027 discussions.

You do not need to be an international affairs expert to participate. Each of us brings a fascinating personal perspective from a lifetime of learning, experiencing, and traveling. Occasionally we have a neighbor with knowledge of the part of the world being discussed, and we all benefit from that. Each participant leaves the meetings feeling better for having shared in their Oakmont Great Decisions community.

Meetings for 2027 are 10 a.m.–12 noon on Monday mornings every other week from February through mid-May in the East Rec. Center or OVA Office Complex. The eight topics for 2027 are: 1. American Foreign Policy and the Future of Multilateralism; 2. American Options in the Middle East; 3. The Future of Germany in Europe and the Atlantic World; 4. U.S.-China: The Case for Engagement; 5. Brazil and the Global South: Confronting a New America; 6. AI and American Choices; 7. Energy Security: Challenges for American Foreign Policy; and 8. Organized Crime in the Americas.

The only cost to participate is $30 for the *Briefing Book*. The videos are free online.

For more information and to join a Great Decisions discussion group, contact George McKinney, Marty Behr or Alan Silow at gdoakmont@gmail.com. We will reply with more details.

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public streets in 2027. This infrastructure upgrade offers an opportunity to integrate Vision Zero principles directly into our physical environment.

To ensure our community's needs are identified and prioritized, VZO recently met with city officials to discuss the paving upcoming project. This meeting allowed us to discuss built-in pedestrian safety enhancements—such as clearer crosswalk high-visibility markings, better signage, and potential traffic-calming measures—before the asphalt is even poured.

SHARE YOUR SAFETY CONCERNS

The City has asked us to compile a list of community concerns to share with Santa Rosa's Traffic Engineer. We are actively seeking your feedback to make the 2027 repaving project as effective as possible. Your insights will directly inform the City's plans.

Are there specific intersections where drivers routinely fail to stop or yield? Do you notice areas with obstructed sightlines? Do you have suggestions for the placement of additional crosswalks? Please submit these and any other specific road safety concerns and feedback directly to the Oakmont Village Association at askova@oakmontvillage.com by Dec. 10.

Together, we can build a safer Oakmont for all road users.

InvestOAK

■Joe Pundyk

POST-ELECTION INVESTMENTS, MARKET TRENDS AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

The next meeting of InvestOAK will be Friday, Nov. 20, at 10 a.m. in the Birch Room of the Central Activity Center.

The group will discuss current economic conditions, stock market trends, and the potential impact of the recent midterm elections on the investment climate.

Additional topics will include the continued growth of artificial intelligence, investments in AI data centers and energy infrastructure, and other factors influencing the economy and financial markets.

Attendees are encouraged to bring questions and participate in the discussion. All are welcome. The meeting will begin promptly at 10 a.m.

Water Fitness

■Valerie Hulsey

HOW TO HAVE FUN WHILE EXERCISING

Every Water Aerobics Class brings laughter along with a good work out. Although Winter is fast approaching the West Pool has been toasty warm.

Mary's Classes are on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:30–10:20 a.m.

Julie teaches on Tuesday from 10–10:50 a.m. and Pauline teaches on Thursdays from 9–9:50 a.m.

There is a drop-in fee of $10 for each class and there is equipment available at the pool for all classes.

All fitness levels are welcome.

Some of the benefits of Water Aerobics are: 1. Reduces joint pain; 2. Increases flexibility and balance; 3. Improves cardio fitness; 4. Builds strength; and 5. Decreases bone and muscle loss.

Strategies for Independence

■Carol Smith

EXPLORING 1031 PROPERTY EXCHANGES

Strategies for Independence welcomes Lisa Jackson of First American Exchange Company for an informational presentation on 1031 property exchanges.

The presentation will explore how property owners may be able to exchange investment properties for other qualifying properties while deferring certain capital gains taxes. Topics will include potential options for property owners seeking to reduce management responsibilities, as well as important considerations when evaluating these transactions.

The presentation will take place Monday, November 16, from 3–4 p.m. at the East Recreation Center. All are welcome.

The presentation is for educational purposes only and does not constitute financial, tax, or legal advice.

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Quilting Bees

■Linda O'Connor

THE QUILTING BEES PLAY TELEPHONE!

Ring, ring... It's for you. Well, all the Quilting Bees, anyway! At our recent picnic, members unveiled their creations from a quilting version of the familiar party game, Telephone. Instead of whispering secrets, the first quilter interpreted a photograph in fabric, passing along only a picture of her finished quilt. The next quilter created her own interpretation, and so on. Two teams of eight revealed their quilts and the sometimes surprising transformations along the way. Multiple years of telephone quilt challenges can be viewed at pinotandpiecing.wordpress.com.

The challenge was only part of an afternoon filled with laughter, homemade goodies, and a delightful parade of quilts, both old and new.

Photos by Liz McDonnell.





Paula opened the show with a fall harvest panel destined for an upcoming craft sale. Sherry followed with a beautiful autumn table runner, explaining her Thanksgiving tradition of making five runners annually, using them on her tables, then gifting them to guests. Suddenly, everyone wanted a Thanksgiving invitation!

Janet showcased an intricate fall wreath table topper using the challenging "twister" technique, followed by a stunning panel quilt, expertly cut, sashed, and quilted.

Liz presented an entire autumn collection of runners, wall hangings, and a scarecrow sporting real straw. Remarkably, after 20 years, the straw is still hanging in there!

Vintage treasures followed, including Cherie's Frankenstein creation from the mid-1980s and Kat's charming scarecrow wall hanging.

Joan wrapped up the sharing with a quilt and a confession. More than 25 years ago, at a Maria Groat workshop, she acquired six beautiful tree panels made by Maria herself. Knowing Joan's reputation for unfinished projects, fellow attendees challenged her to complete something within 30 days or return the panels. Challenge accepted, challenge accomplished! Decades later, the quilt and the story still delight.

From whispered inspiration to treasured creations, the afternoon reminded us that quilts tell stories, preserve memories, and occasionally reveal a few secrets. And unlike the game of Telephone, every quilt tells a story worth repeating!

Bees meet the second and fourth Wednesday, 1 p.m. in the art room of the CAC. All are welcome. For more information contact Liz McDonnell, (707) 538-2523.

Toxic Waste Collection

■OVA Staff

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2–7 PM
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NOT ACCEPTED: Explosives, ammunition, radioactive materials, biological waste (except syringes), TVs, computer monitors and other electronics and business waste.



Online appointments are available. To sign up, visit zerowastesonomahhwevent.as.me/Oakmont.

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Please go through your closets & donate your extra coats to those in need. Ask your family & friends to help donate too! We will be collecting coats for men, women & children. We also accept new warm socks, gently used hats, gloves, scarves, and blankets; winter/warm sport clothing only; please no rips or stains or business/dressy clothes.



Items are collected by volunteers from the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation's "Open Table" program in downtown Santa Rosa, and shared with many local service agencies, including St.Vincent de Paul, Redwood Gospel Mission, Catholic Charities, The Living Room, Christ Methodist Church, and Shomrei Torah synagogue, just to name a few.



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Oakmont Boomers

■Carolita Carr

MEMBER APPRECIATION NIGHT

WHAT: Annual Members Appreciation and Holiday Celebration
WHEN: Friday, December 11, doors open at 5:30 p.m.
WHERE: Berger Center
COST: Free, members only, no guests
BRING: Beverage of your choice

This is an evening for you to try our delicious appetizers and share the holiday spirit with all your Boomer friends. We have 397 members, and as much as we would like to accommodate all of you, we just can't. So be sure and watch for the registration notice in your email. Register the minute you see the email. There will be no table reservations for this event.

A LOOK BACK

Our annual Ghostly Night was a huge success. And as predicted, Oakmont Boomers outdid themselves with their costumes. The winners this year were:

Most Original: "Route 66"—Karl Turner, Patty Turner and Giovanna Desimone

Best Couple: "Caesar Salads"—Kenneth and Cindy Brennan

Scariest: "The Grim Reaper"—Ron Burrell



Cindy and Ken Brenann.



Ron Burrell.



Karl and Patty Turner, and Giovanna Desimone. (Photos by Heidi Klyn)

Oakmont Community Church

■Greg Fauss

THANKSGIVING AND ADVENT

As Thanksgiving approaches, we are already trying to practice having an attitude of gratitude.

We invite you to our Thanksgiving Potluck on November 22 at 11:45 a.m.

The following Sunday is First Advent to which we invite you to make Advent Wreaths on November 29, also at 11:45 a.m.

Of course, you are welcome to join us for the service beforehand or just come for the meal or activity.

We are interdenominational, and endeavor to be welcoming and safe for all.

For information about our Sunday meetings, our Wednesday Morning Bible Study, our Thursday Alpha dinner discussions, Saturday Prayer meetings, and other gatherings go to www.occsantarosa.org, write us at occsantarosa@gmail.com or call us at (707) 595-0166.



Figures painted by K. Hohl.

Oakmont Writing League (OWL)

■Liz O'Connell

BOOK LAUNCH READING

Once upon a time, from a galaxy far, far away, where the journey is the reward; members of Oakmont Writers League describe a memorable milestone from a tender time in their lives, in a book titled *When We Were Ten*.



OWL welcomes you to join us at our book launch. We'll read some selected stories. Our local members come from all over, nationally and internationally. Our stories might take you back to your ten-year-old story. We hope it does. OWL helps writers develop the creative skills to tell their stories.

When We Were Ten is available on Amazon, but you can pick up a signed copy at the event, while supplies last. Proceeds from book sales to benefit OWL and children's charities.

WHEN: Monday, November 23 **TIME:** 2–4 p.m.
WHERE: East Rec. Center

Refreshments and a chance to meet the authors.

Can't make it in person? Join us on Zoom: Meeting ID 854 7403 9980, Passcode 409566.

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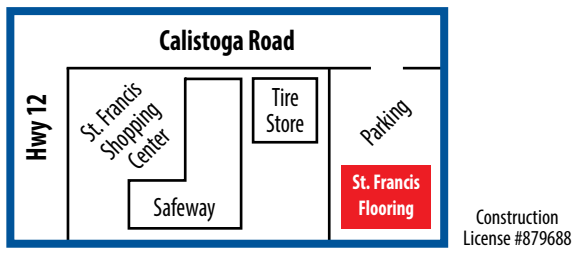
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Music at Oakmont

■Judy Walker



MUSICA PACIFICA TO PERFORM FREE CONCERT

Thanks to a generous grant from the Oakmont Community Foundation, we are very pleased to present a free concert in December for our music loving community.

We have engaged the popular Bay Area ensemble, Musica Pacifica to perform a wonderful program based on folk music of the British Isles. The group consists of the amazing recorder virtuoso, Judy Linsenberg who elevates this instrument to an unbelievable level of artistry. She will be joined by an interesting combination of instruments—Baroque violin, cello/viola da gamba, harpsichord and percussion.

I know there are a number of early music enthusiasts within our audience and there are not many opportunities to hear this music performed live in this area. For those of you who are more familiar with J.S. Bach, Handel, etc., that typify early 18th and 17th century music, be prepared to hear something more lighthearted and closer to secular folk roots. This should make for a very enjoyable start to the Holiday season.

I will be publishing another article prior to the concert which will delve more into program specifics and of course, all the information will be available on our website: www.musicatoakmont.org.

So, save the date, pass the word around and look forward to a Saturday afternoon of delightful music.

WHEN: Saturday, December 5, at 1:30 p.m.
WHERE: Berger Center
ADMISSION: No charge

Cal Alumni Club of Oakmont

■Marilyn Noah

CAL STANFORD BIG GAME WATCH PARTY—NOVEMBER 21

The 129th edition of the oldest rivalry in the west will be played on Saturday, November 21. The Stanford Axe is on the line as it has been since 1933. No game on Cal's football calendar matters more.



TheAxe1899 posted on X.com.

The Cal Alumni Club of Oakmont is hosting their annual Big Game Watch Party at East Rec. No charge. BYO beverage and snacks. Need not be an alum of either school to be welcome. Come and watch on a large screen with your friends and neighbors!

Doors to the East Rec will open for the party 90 minutes ahead of game time, which as of newspaper deadline is still TBA. Check the club website at www.caloakmont.org for further details.

Movies At Oakmont

WHERE: Berger Center
SCREENING DAY AND TIME: Sundays at 2 p.m.
HOSTS: Mike McInnis, Deborah Davidson, Jeff Neuman and Barbara Marquardt.
NOTE: All films are shown with English subtitles, when possible, free of charge—compliments of the OVA.



NOVEMBER 15: *THE RIVALS OF AMZIAH KING*

Matthew McConaughey: Amziah King, beekeeper, musician, and anchor of his community, reunites with former foster daughter Kateri after many years apart, and fends off threats to his honey business. 2025, R, 2:10.



NOVEMBER 22: *YOUNG WASHINGTON*

A young George Washington faces war, betrayal and impossible choices that will forge a leader. 2026, PG-13, 2:01.



NOVEMBER 29: *THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA 2*

Andy Sachs reunites with Miranda Priestly as they navigate their careers amid the decline of traditional magazine publishing. 2026, PG-13, 1:59.



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Hikers

■Colleen Keegan

We welcome you to join us on a hike whether you are a member yet or not. Members, please RSVP in advance at www.oakmonthikingclub.org for each hike. Your reservation can be canceled if your plans change.

Bring water, lunch, hat, layers, sunscreen, and poles if you use them. Go to our website to join, get hike details, see photos, register for a hike and more. The annual membership is only $15. Check our website for the latest updates as hikes are subject to change.

NOVEMBER 19: LONG HIKE BENNETT PEAK TRIONE-ANNADEL STATE PARK



Oakmont Hiking Club at Annadel Ridge Trail.

Meet at 8 a.m. at the Berger Center and drive to the East Rec Center. We will enter Annadel from Woodley and take the Rhyolite, Marsh, and Old Ridge trails to Bennett Peak. Lunch will be near the peak. About 10 miles and 1850 feet of elevation. Leader is Frank Galli, (763) 360-9756.

NOVEMBER 19: INTERMEDIATE HIKE LAKE SONOMA



Lake Sonoma.

From the Little Flat parking area, we will ascend via the Dry Creek, No Name and Boar Scat Trails, with lunch at the picnic area, returning via Half a Canoe and Bummer trails. Views of the lake and the Mayacamas mountains, with the possibility of seeing steam from The Geysers. Trail is a mix of sun and shade, rocky in places. Poison oak always a possibility. Long pants and sleeves recommended. About 6 miles, 1100 feet elevation gain. One hour travel time to trailhead.

Restrooms at Visitor Center, none at the trailhead, port-a-potty at lunch spot. Leave Berger 9 a.m. Leader is Florentia Scott, (707) 591-1929.

The club doesn't have any organized hikes planned for the Thursday, November 26 Thanksgiving holiday but hopefully everyone will get out for a walk on their own. Happy Trails and Happy Thanksgiving!

Oakmont Birders

■Barbara Kendrick

BIRDS WORTH WATCHING: NORTHERN PYGMY-OWL

The Northern Pygmy-owl is tiny: at only around 6 inches tall, it's one of the world's smallest owls. It's also a rare diurnal owl, active by day instead of night and relying on sight, not sound, to hunt. And adding to its credits, it's extremely cute, with a small round head, big golden eyes, a plump little body, and a long tail.



Watching for dinner.

But don't let the cute factor fool you. These little owls are fearsome predators, described in one guidebook as "tiny forest ninjas." Small birds and animals are their preferred prey. They perch on bare tree branches and wait patiently for a meal to present itself, then they pounce—grabbing songbirds in midair and tackling voles, mice, and lizards on the ground. They sometimes kill much larger birds, including California Quail.

Because they're daytime hunters, you'd imagine Pygmy-owls might be easy to see. However, when they're on their hunting perch (which is much of the time), they look very much like pinecones and attract little notice. But luckily for birdwatchers, they have a tell: they periodically wag their tails back and forth, like those old Felix-the-Cat wall clocks.



Cute but lethal.

These owls can also be located by their distinctive call, which is our area is a slow series of single high-pitched "toots." This tooting can go on and on, especially in the spring when males are defending territory or seeking mates.

In California, Northern Pygmy-owls live in the coastal mountains, foothills, and valleys and in the Sierras, nesting in abandoned woodpecker cavities. They don't migrate. While there hasn't been a Pygmy-owl reported yet within Oakmont, they hang out in the forests in Annadel State Park and across Highway 12. If you're out hiking and hear "Toot… toot… toot," look for a pinecone wagging its tail.

Have questions about birds? Want a "Birds Seen in Oakmont" checklist? E-mail bkendrick@jps.net.







Lawn Bowling

■Mary C Blake

Interested in learning to bowl? Email us at oakmontlawnbowling@gmail.com.

Status of the Green: We have a beautiful, greener Green and the new benches!

New Time: With cooler weather, we shifted to afternoons. That means show up at 12:15 p.m. to bowl at 12:30.

Thanksgiving Tournament: Wednesday, November 25, 12:30 p.m.

AWARDS GALA AND HOLIDAY PARTY

Our annual Awards Gala and Holiday Party is Friday, December 5 at 5 p.m. at the Berger. Wrapping gifts begins at 5 p.m. Dinner at 6, followed by the awards ceremony.

The gifts are for foster children. Here's the info from our social committee:

Each year Oakmont Lawn Bowling Club works with Sonoma County family services to provide holiday gifts for children in their care. If you're new to the club or need a refresher, please read the instructions carefully:

A tag for each child (name, age, gender, wish list) will be on the Christmas tree located in the bowls room at the beginning of November. We have tags for 40 kids, ages 2 to 12.

Take a name tag or more for a child or children that you would like to shop for. A master list is located next to the tree - it's important that you print your name next to each child's name. This is our way of knowing who is shopping for a particular child in case a name tag goes missing.



Holiday tree with name tags for gifts for foster children.

Now go shopping! Keep in mind that for many of these kids, your gift may be the only one they'll receive. We ask that you spend at least $35 a gift for each child. The gifts listed next to the child's name are merely a suggestion of what they would like—older kids would probably prefer gift cards (Target, Walmart, etc.).

Bring your wrapped/unwrapped gift plus child's name tag to the holiday party. Club members will be wrapping each unwrapped gift and securely attaching the name tag. If you have more than one gift for a child, place them all in a gift bag.

Email: oakmontlawnbowling@gmail.com. Website: www.oakmontlawnbowling.com.

Oakmont Visual Aids Workshop

■Pamela Kennedy

JOIN THE PROGRAM THAT'S CHANGING YOUNG LIVES

Oakmont Visual Aids Workshop is a group of dedicated volunteers who gather every week to create free individual booklets for visually impaired children around the world. The organization is celebrating its 55th year! There are a variety of simple yet engaging tasks for you to choose from: sorting, tracing, cutting, gluing, lettering, and counting.



Glenna Yee has hand-lettered booklets for the visually impaired for 20 years.

Please join us at the West Rec. Center any Monday from 9–11 a.m. We would love to introduce you to the team and have you join in our good works!

One of our volunteers is Glenna Yee. She has been a printer (someone who hand-letters booklets) for over 20 years! Oakmont Visual Aids Workshop was the first organization she joined back in 2005. The work especially appealed to Glenna since she had been principal at a school whose special education program served visually impaired and blind students from pre-kindergarten to the sixth grade.

Glenna proudly states that "the volunteers' fingerprints and DNA are on each of the brailled and printed handmade concept books and tactile learning materials."

For more information, contact Jill Butler at (760) 468-1743 and visit our website at www.teachersaidsforblindchildren.org.

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Meetings will be scheduled on a monthly basis, depending on members' availability. Either singles or couples may join. Meeting procedures and schedule will be established at the first meeting of the group. We already have a meeting place.

If you are interested in joining, or want more information, please contact us at (707) 521-9851.

Wii Bowling Oakmont Lanes



■Terry Leuthner

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 me at (707) 291-3023 or stop by the East Recreation Center on Tuesdays from 2–3:30 p.m. (no bowling fourth Tuesdays) to see us in action. We charge $25 for a ten-week Tournament that includes the play-offs.

2 p.m. League: 8 teams, 4 bowlers per team. Each bowler bowls three games and has his/her own handicap (80%) and average. See www.oakmontlanes.com for Club information, bowling dates, week results and team schedules to bring cookies and help set up at 1 p.m. and tear down equipment at 3:30 p.m.

Ornament Decorating Party: Friday, Nov. 20, 3–6 p.m., Berger Center. This year, due to El Nino weather, there will be no Club Christmas trees outdoors. One large community Christmas tree will be displayed in the Berger Center representing all the clubs. We need to create one or two ornaments to display on the community tree that best represents Oakmont Lanes. The OVA will provide the ornaments and decorating supplies, along with cookies, coffee and hot cocoa.

Bowling dates for November: Nov. 17 (week #11: Thanksgiving Challenge). No bowling Nov. 24 (fourth Tuesday).

Bowling dates December: Dec. 1 (week #12), 8 (Playoffs, top 4 teams), 10 (Christmas Party at East Rec). Dec. 15, 22, 29 break for Christmas Holiday.

RESULTS AS OF OCT. 20 (WEEK #9 FALL LEAGUE)

Results are: first place, 4 Tops; second place, Pocket Hits; third place tie, Wii Four and Strikers; fifth place, On Strike; sixth place, King Pins, seventh place, Alley Oops; eighth place, High Rollers.

Men's High Games: Glenn Hewitt, 300; Charlie Ensley, 247; Don Shelhart, 245; Rob Warren, 236; Scott Harris, 231; Richard Adamczyk, 222; Bradley Kravitz, 202.

Women's High Games: Robin Schudel, 269; Peggy Ensley, 259; Sandy Osheroff, 258; Carol Garneau, 254; Valerie Hulsey, 248; Carolita Carr, 227; Pat Scott, 225; Laurel Earles, 219; Donnarose Ileci, 201.

Most of us have all bowled on a bowling league and here's your chance to do it again without the weight of a heavy bowling ball. Come see us in action and join in on all the fun.

Pickleball Corner



■Peter Copen

BORROW THE KITCHEN

A dink lands two or three feet inside the kitchen. The player is standing safely behind the NVZ line. And instead of moving toward the ball, they stay planted and perform what can only be described as the world's longest reach—arm stretched forward, chest falling toward the net, back foot barely hanging on—all because somewhere in their pickleball education they absorbed one message: don't go in the kitchen.



Graphic by Peter Copen.

There is a much better message: Go in!

The non-volley zone isn't a forbidden zone. It's exactly what its proper name says: a non-volley zone. You can enter it, stand in it and hit a ball from it after the ball bounces. And once you stop being afraid of those seven feet of court, something interesting happens: short dinks stop pulling you off balance and start giving you opportunities. Think of the kitchen as borrowed real estate.

For short dinks, don't reach from behind the kitchen line. Step into the non-volley zone early, ideally before the bounce, and hit from a balanced position. Then recover back out. Moving your feet improves control, contact quality, and readiness for the next shot. When a ball bounces short, borrow the kitchen for one shot.

Pickleball at Oakmont is for Oakmont residents and their guests only! Pickleball in Oakmont is free. However, there is a cost to be a member of the Pickleball Club of $30/yr. Benefits include friends, socials, parties, free balls, loaner paddles to try out and coaching and skills training.

New Player Orientation—winter schedule: first and third Tuesdays of the month at 9 a.m. from November through April. Contact Victoria Dettman, (530) 355-1497. Call Jim Howard at (209) 761-8517 for demo loaner. Visit our website: www.oakmontpickleballclub.com.

Kiwanis Club of Oakmont

■Charles Ensley

SHREDATHON A SUCCESS

Our October Shredathon at Berger Center was a big success, with $1,595 in donations for scholarships. The double line of cars went the length of the parking structure when the truck arrived, and the first 25 minutes were a whirlwind!

Thanks to all who came, and kudos to the Oakmont Gardens staff who helped that first half-hour. If you missed this event, or will have more to shred, stay tuned for a repeat performance on April 15, 2027.

MEDICARE EDUCATION

Are you like me who found out our 2026 Medicare Advantage plan is no longer being offered in Sonoma County? If so, we invite you to join us as Kiwanis hosts a free Medicare 2027 education presentation about annual choices and changes by non-profit HICAP: Health Insurance and Advocacy Program, offering free unbiased Medicare counseling for California residents. Find out the difference between Medicare and a supplement or an Advantage plan, PPO and HMO.

Kiwanis hosted one In Oakmont a few years ago and lots of questions were asked and answered by presenter Tom Kelber. It will be held on Thursday, November 19, 10 a.m. to noon. Location is Berger Center. No reservations necessary. Come find out what's new for 2027.

Conservatives Club



■Dennis Gacutan

MOVING FORWARD AFTER THE ELECTION

By the time this article appears in print, the November election will be behind us and voters will have made their choices. Regardless of the outcome, the results deserve thoughtful consideration. Victories should not be taken for granted, nor should defeats be viewed simply as setbacks. Each result provides an opportunity to better understand the concerns, priorities, and expectations of the American people.

For those who believe in conservative principles, the challenge of moving forward is to evaluate what the voters have told us, recognizing where our message has succeeded or fallen short, and continue advocating for values of individual liberty, personal responsibility, limited government, and constitutional principles.

Our club offers the perfect place to discuss these results and to consider conservative principles as we go forward from here.

The New Oakmont Conservative Club has been privileged to host a wide variety of speakers covering everything from health and safety to the latest political issues. The meetings may feature a guest speaker or a video presentation, followed by questions and discussion, including opportunities to exchange ideas in small groups.

The club meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month, 4–6 p.m. at the Berger Center. Food and beverages, including alcohol, are welcome.

The club plans to meet on November 24.

For those interested in more informal conversation, we also gather Wednesdays, 10–11 a.m. at CAC providing an open forum where members can exchange ideas and introduce topics of interest without a formal agenda. As it turns out Oakmont is blessed with people from a wide variety of backgrounds and life experiences, which often leads to interesting and informative discussions.

Whether you've attended our events before or are new to Oakmont, I hope you'll plan to be with us. Questions may be directed to thenewoakmontcc@gmail.com.

Disclaimer: The views and opinions expressed in this article are those of the club and do not reflect the official policy or position of the Oakmont Village Association.

Dinner for Eight

■TinaMarie Romo

NEW ROTATION!

Do you appreciate sharing good food and wine with new friends? The Dinner for Eight group is a great way to meet new people and enjoy dinner. The next rotation is January–June 2027.

Over the six months each group of eight meets four times, rotating hosts. The host couple provides the main course and a side, and the others bring an appetizer, salad or dessert. Each couple brings a bottle of wine to share. The groups are assigned but each group sets the dates and food assignments over the six-month period. There are subs available in the event someone cannot make all four dinners.

We currently have five groups, but people drop out or sometimes skip a rotation. In addition, we can form additional groups.

Dinner for Eight is a subset of the Boomers Club and we ask that you are a current Boomers member to participate. You can find Boomers membership information on the website oakmontboomers.org.

I will be contacting current members to check if they will be participating in the next Rotation. For potential new members, or if you would like more information or would like to sign up, please contact me at tinamarieromo3@gmail.com or (650) 346-8193.

Bon Appetit!

Tennis Club



■Nani Tosoc

TONY'S TENNIS TIPS—PART I

If you wander by the West Rec. courts, Tony Agocs is a familiar figure. A tall athlete sporting an FC Barcelona cap, Tony leads very helpful tennis clinics for the Oakmont community.

His handout entitled "Do's and Don'ts in Doubles" (Part I) is reprinted here with the author's permission and have helped many:

• Never look back to see if your partner is going to get the ball. Look straight ahead—your opponents will tell you what happened with their body movements.

• Always move together, like a pair of windshield wipers up, back, or sideways, as one.

• Get to the net as soon as possible.

• Try to get your own overheads. If you can't, yell "yours" right away, and do a diagonal switch.

• Protect the middle of the court; the distance between you and your partner should be your racquets outstretched and touching.

• The better player should play on the AD court side if both have equal backhands.

• Keep the net person honest, especially if he/she poaches a lot.

• When your team is serving, the net person should always make a fake movement even if not intending to poach.

• If your partner is going to poach, first make sure that he/she gets to the ball, then go and cover his/her side of the court.

• Return serves short to a rushing server to force them to hit the ball up.

• Use hand signals or talk before you serve each point.

• Communicate with each other after the point is over to correct any mistakes made during the point.

• Remember to always switch if your partner crosses over to your side.

• You can always pick on the weakest player if you are in trouble.

• If opponent has a great cross-court return of serve, play in an Australian position to make them hit down the line.

• Always be positive to each other, especially when your partner makes a mistake.

In other news: A birthday luncheon was held at Mary's Pizza on October 15 to celebrate the 82nd birthday of everyone's favorite, Jack Horwitz. A rowdy crowd was on hand to celebrate, organized by "Crouton King" Pete Hogan. We laughed, we cried, and we dug into the sweet cakes brought in by Maureen Pennal.

Health report: the East Rec. crowd welcomes back Pete Hogan from illness and wishes him continued recovery. And our thoughts and well-wishes also go out to Fritz Spotleson, a fixture on the West courts. Get well soon Fritz.

One-liner of the week award goes to retired Army LTC and past OTC president, John Hughson: "That shot took more intelligence that I thought you had." We all laughed.

See you on the court!

ECK Spiritual Adventures Club

■Kimberly Morris

WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST BLESSING IN LIFE?

Happy Thanksgiving, Dear Friend. You are cordially invited to our next Club Meeting on Friday, November 20, in the Birch Room from 3–4:30 p.m. We will explore the topic, "What is the Greatest Blessing in Life?"

Harold Klemp, Spiritual Leader of ECKANKAR shares in his book *The Secret of Love* that most people who travel through life and experience its ups and downs, just say, "I am grateful for what I have." They found that love comes in small ways and small places which are just as important as when love comes in a big wave. He advises that when we move forward spiritually in this journey of Soul, we strive to become more godlike in wisdom and in divine love. (page 7).

To answer the question, "What is the Greatest Blessing in Life?" he suggests that it is life itself, just living. As we learn about ourselves, we naturally want to give back to life. By doing so, we increase our capacity to give and receive love. And the more we give, the more we receive (page 96). Life is our greatest blessing.

November's club will embrace our warm love of this upcoming holiday. We will see a short video of Harold Klemp, enjoy snacks, and share stories of our spiritual experiences in gratitude, blessings, and love. A spiritual contemplation of an ancient love song to the Divine, called the HU, will be offered for those interested in a personal converse with the Divine Spirit.

We honor all spiritual perspectives in this club. Bring a friend if you require assistance. If interested, contact me at (707) 312-6369. Or visit the California website at www.ca-eck.org .

Bocce Club



■Deb Ponts

ANNUAL HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

Join us for our holiday celebration at Riveria Ristorante on Saturday, December 5 at 5 p.m. We will be seated outside in their heated tent. Member cost $30, non-members $50. No host cocktails 5–6 p.m., BYOB corkage $25. Dinner served at 6 p.m. Entree selections: Short Ribs, Salmon, Lasagna or Seafood Pescatore. Salad and bread included. Hope to see you there!

To confirm your reservation, complete the form and include your check payable to Treasurer, Tony Sarram, no later than November 15. Forms are located in the Bocce folder at the OVA office. If you have any questions, contact Judy Aiken or Pat Paulson.

Reminder: As of November 1, club hours are at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Oakmont residents can reserve one court during times not reserved for club members by contacting Bob Swift, (707) 648-6409.

Interested in becoming member? Bocce is a low impact and a great way to get some exercise and meet your neighbors. New member lessons are available on the first Tuesday of the month. Annual dues are $25, which includes access to the Bocce equipment. Applications are available at the OVA office. Cash is preferred but checks payable to Treasurer, Tony Sarram, is accepted.

Membership renewals are $25, and are currently due for 2027.

Current Events Discussion Group



■Tina Lewis

This is a very important time to discuss current events! Please join us every Friday from 1–2:30 p.m. at the East Rec. Come in person if you can; join on Zoom if you can't. If you come in person, a donation of $2 is requested.

Issues discussed range from local to national to international. All sides of issues are encouraged. Following the meeting join us at OAK for Happy Hour. This has become very popular, giving everyone a chance to socialize, unwind, and have something to eat and drink.

If you want to be put on the mailing list, including Zoom, email tinalewis31@comcast.net or call (707) 758-9739.

Oakmont Movers and Groovers

■Denise Lindsey

OMG KEEPS THE MUSIC AND FUN GOING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS

We have a great lineup of music, dancing and celebrations planned for November and December! Mark your calendars and join us for these upcoming events.

Hey Jude—November 14

Get ready for a night of your favorite hits from the '60s and '70s! Hey Jude will bring the music of The Beatles and other classic favorites to the Berger Center, 6633 Oakmont Drive, on Saturday, November 14. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with music beginning at 6:30 p.m. The HopMonk food truck will be on-site, and tickets are $25 at the door.

MUNCHIES AND MUSIC MEMBER PARTY DECEMBER 17

OMG members are invited to a free evening of music, food and fun on Thursday, December 17, from 5:30–9:30 p.m.! A DJ from Huge Entertainment will keep the music going throughout the evening, and members can even request their favorite songs when they RSVP.

Light snacks and dessert will be provided, and attendees are welcome to bring additional food and beverages.

This event is free and open to OMG members only. Please RSVP by December 7 by emailing omgclub2025@gmail.com.

NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION DECEMBER 31

Ring in 2027 with OMG! Our New Year's Eve celebration will feature a delicious buffet prepared by Chef Karl, live music by Midnight Sun Massive SF and a champagne toast to welcome the new year.

The evening begins with a reception at 5 p.m., followed by dinner from 5:30–7 p.m. Music begins at 7 p.m., featuring a lively mix of favorites to keep everyone entertained.

Tickets are $80 per person and include dinner and the champagne toast. Watch for more information as the celebration approaches!

Tickets to our events may be purchased online at omgclub.org or at the OVA office with cash or a check payable to OMG.

Writers Group

■Edward and Barbara Kelleher

Would you like to join a Writers' Group? You will be able to:

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• Exchange ideas and suggestions.

• Get peer reviews on publishers and literary agents.

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• Identify new publishers of specific types of writing.

• Identify potential co-authors if you want to collaborate.

• Meet people with interests similar to your own.

Meetings will be scheduled on a monthly basis, depending on group members' availability. Meeting procedures and schedule will be established at the first meeting of the group. We already have a meeting place.

If you are interested in joining a group or want more information, please contact us at (707) 521-9851.

Oakmont Men's Group

■Russ McCracken

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

There's room for a few more members in the second Oakmont Men's Group, which meets the second and fourth Fridays of the month from 1–3 p.m. at the Birch Room of the CAC.

Our first group was started by Gordon Freedman nearly 15 years ago. Last year, I started a second group. We talk about personal issues concerning older men, avoiding topics for which there are other groups, such as cars, politics and sports.

If you're interested in a friendly group that keeps conversations confidential, call me at (707) 703-9578 or email russmccracken12@gmail.com.

Canine Club



■Steve Huntley

THE EARLY DOG SPECIAL

Every year, soon after our Members' Appreciation Party in October, the Canine Club offers the early dog special membership rates for the next coming year, in this case 2027. These early dog membership rates apply to both new members and membership renewals for 2027.



Milo.



Penny.

Our standard membership rates are $12 for individuals and $20 for households. The special Early Dog rates are $10 for individuals and $16 for households if received before December 15, 2026. After December 15, the membership rates go back to the standard rates. Woof, Woof! Not a member of the Oakmont Canine Club? Go to www.oakmontcanineclub.org for more information on how to join this exciting club.

Now for the real fun doggie stuff. National Slobber Appreciation Day is an unofficial, annual holiday on November 16 that celebrates the slobbery charm of drooling dogs. It's just part of their charm rather than a flaw. It's a simple reminder to embrace the affectionate, sometimes wet, moments dogs share with their humans, and to raise awareness about slobbery breeds that are often overlooked.

If you just received the *Oakmont News* this morning, and are just now reading this article, then you'd better hurry! Paws for Healing is holding their annual holiday fundraiser Meet and Greet Santa Paws, November 14, 10 a.m.–2 p.m., at Pawsarotti's, 106 Calistoga Road. You had better run fast and remember to bring along your pup to sit on Santa's lap for a photo shoot!

Finally, we could really use some more volunteers at the Happy Tails Dog Park to help keep our dog park safe and clean. Please email Peri Olinger at periolinger@yahoo.com if you would like to be a dog park volunteer.

Meditation

■Joanne Davey

MEDITATING TOGETHER
WEEKLY MEDITATION SESSIONS AT CAC

"Our progress in meditation does not depend on the measure of pleasure or pain in our experience. Rather, the quality of our practice has to do with how open we are to whatever is there."—Joseph Goldstein

We invite you to join one or both of our weekly drop-in meditation sessions which have been taking place for many years.

Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. in the CAC Building, Birch Room: This is a 35-min. meditation. This session frequently begins with a short 15-20-minute talk about various aspects of meditation.

Tuesdays at 4 p.m. in the CAC Building, Art Room: A 30-min. meditation. Beginning and experienced meditators are welcome.

We approach meditation as a non-denominational practice.

If you have questions, please contact Trisha Mitchell, (650) 255-4026.

Domino Club



■Brian Huckins

MIX THOSE DOMINOS

The Oakmont Domino Club meets twice a week in the Central Activity Center Card Room: Wednesday afternoons at 4 p.m. and Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

We play the popular Five-up Game (more commonly referred to as the San Francisco Five-up Game). Two, three or four can play. The four-handed or partners game is our preferred format. A slight wager has been known to add to the interest.



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Looking for players of all abilities to join, beginners to experts. Please contact me at (415) 602-9083 or bvhuckins@gmail.com.

Oakmont Sunday Symposium

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$3 donation
www.oakmontsundaysymposium.org

■Judie Coleman

Coffee, tea and snacks are available for sale in Berger from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m. before the presentation begins.

NOVEMBER 15: LAURIE JACOBSON
LIPSTICK, LIES AND LIMOUSINES: HOLLYWOOD'S NAUGHTY LIST



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NOVEMBER 22: KIM MAZZUCA
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Happy Holidays! Enjoy friends and family! Eat well, drink well and celebrate life!

We'll see you next year on January 10, 2027 with a speaker from Buck Institute for Research on Aging.

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Oakmont Squares

■Barbara Wooley

HAPPY FALL FROM THE OAKMONT SQUARES!

A fun time was had by all as the Oakmont Squares celebrated Halloween! Dancers showed off their Halloween spirit adorning themselves in creative costumes that ran the gamut from cute to scary. Club members danced to Halloween-inspired tunes, such as "The Devil Went Down to Georgia," "Witch Doctor" and more, taking short breaks to catch their breath and snack on treats such as popcorn, cookies, and cake. Pictured below are Anna and Del, Karen, Margi and Deb.





With the recent addition of new members for the fall class, club members now make up three full squares for the green tips (class level) and two squares for the red tips (mainstream level). While the fall class is now closed, experienced dancers who wish to join the group, or to just drop in , are welcome to come dance at any time. No partner is necessary since it is customary to switch partners often to get more dancers on the floor.

The Oakmont Squares meet Tuesday evenings from 7–9 p.m. at the East Rec. Center. Donation is $8 per person/night or $25 for the month. Come dance in a square and make a circle of friends. For information call Jenny at (707) 367-2102.

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Two OHI regulars already had a lifelong friendship before they came to Oakmont. They can be found after every exercise session standing by the parking lot, talking, laughing and, in general, valuing their six-decade bond.



Mary. (Photo by Charlene Bunas)

Mary was born in San Rafael and adopted by a Santa Rosa couple two days later. As a girl, Mary was on the local swim team and rode her bike to/from the two-hour practice sessions. "It was great; we (team members) all rode together—fun times. Guess that's why I like group activities."

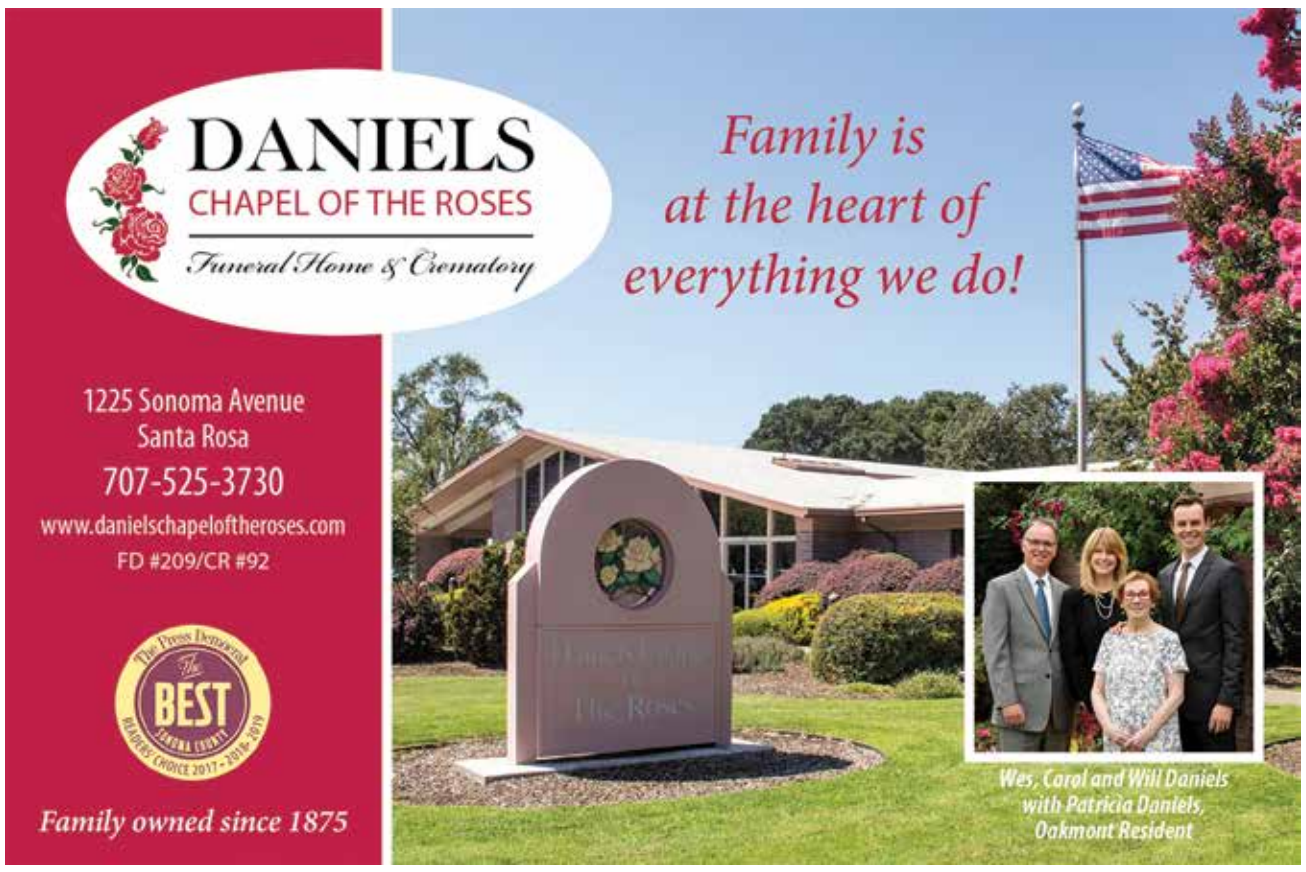
Still an avid exerciser Mary says, "Exercise is part of my life, it makes me happy and it's wonderful to share that happiness with friends."

Friends are her lifeline, especially her BFF, Kathy. "We have been a big part of each other's lives, sharing high school, college, children, grandchildren and now Oakmont. I look forward to seeing her in class and catching up. She is the best cheerleader, always positive!" As an adult she began researching her biological roots—an adventure that included a trip to France and Italy, countries she plans to revisit.

This woman is living the secret: According to multiple health and aging studies. Mary knows, a good friend is a dose of medicine; it heals the body and soothes the soul.

Life lesson: what's done is done and just move forward with an open heart.

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Strength and Balance Class

■Valerie Hulsey

What fun we had at the Balance Class when we celebrated Halloween a day early. Guess who was a Bumble Bee—who magically turned into a Roster?





Photos by Mary Montague.

Everyone is welcome to join the class. We meet at 9:30 a.m. at the East Rec. Center. There is a $10 drop-in fee and don't forget to bring water and your TheraBand for strengthening. If you don't have one you can purchase one for $5 when you arrive.

Not only do we work on our balance skills but you can see from the pictures we have lots of fun doing so. The laughter in the room is always contagious so please join in the fun



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