



NEWSLETTER

Happy North Oakland Village 10 Year Anniversary

February CALENDAR

**ALL EVENTS MEET AT NOV OFFICE UNLESS OTHERWISE
INDICATED -- See Upcoming Events for details**

- Each Monday 10:30 - **Menders/Handability**, **members & volunteers**
- Tuesday 4th 2:00 - **Memoir writing group**, **members, new members welcome**
- Sunday 9th 2:00 - **Sunday Stroll**, Crab Cove Crown Beach, Alameda, **members and volunteers**
- Wednesday 12th Noon - **Lunch Bunch**, Oakland Museum Cafe, 1000 Oak st, **members & volunteers**
- Wednesday 12th 1:00 - **Museum Outing**, Burning Man Exhibit, Oakland Museum, **members and volunteers**
- Monday 17th 2:00 - **Salon**, meets at member's home - currently full **members**
- Tuesday 18th 2:00 - **Memoir writing group**, **members**
- Wednesday 19th 2:00 - **Healthy Aging, Older but Wiser**, **members**
- Thursday 20th 2:00 - **Presentation on Digital Privacy**, **members**

- Friday 21st 10:30 -**Time To Talk**, learn about NOV, **all welcome**
- Friday 21st 1:30 -**Bridge**, call Norma Harrison (510) 547-7530 **members**
- Weekend 22nd/23rd - **Rotary Volunteers helping hands**, **members & volunteers**
- Sunday 23rd 5:00 -**Potluck**, **all welcome**
- Tuesday 25th 12:30 -**Newsletter Review Committee**
- Tuesday 25th 4:00 -**Board Meeting**, **members & volunteers**
- Thursday 27th 7:30 - **Outing to hear EJ Dionne**, **members & volunteers**
- Friday 28th 11:00 -**Singing with Sara**, **members and volunteers**
- Friday 31st (last Friday) - Non-fiction **Book group** - **members & volunteers**

Upcoming Events:

Memoir Writing group

February 4th & 18th Tuesday at 2 pm

The NOV Memoir Writing group will welcome new writing members. We meet twice a month at the NOV office to share interesting, thoughtful, and engaging memoirs. Please call the office if you have any questions.



Sunday Stroll

February 9th 2:00

Crab Cove Crown Beach, Alameda. Three mile walk on flat paved trails. Meet at 2pm in the NOV parking lot for car pool.

For those driving separately, go through the Webster Tube to Alameda, then go one mile straight on Webster, then go right on Central Ave. one block, then go left on McKay one block to Crab Cove Visitor Center Parking lot on the left. Gather in free visitor center with aquaria and nature exhibits around 2:30pm. Optional dinner at mutually chosen restaurant after stroll around 5 pm. Wheel chair accessible.

Museum Outing

Wednesday, February 12th 1:00

Oakland Museum

Burning Man Exhibit

Each year the week-long Burning Man event attracts over 70,000 people to Nevada's Black Rock Desert.

Participants create and build Black Rock City, a temporary metropolis

where experimental art installations—some ritually burned to the ground—are the centerpiece for innovators, makers, and a burgeoning artistic community. The Museum exhibition will illuminate the values of Burning Man through its guiding Ten Principles: Radical Inclusion, Gifting, Decommodification, Radical Self-reliance, Radical Self-expression, Communal Effort, Civic Responsibility, Leaving No Trace, Participation, and Immediacy.

Come join our group as we visit the exhibit at the Oakland Museum. Call the office to reserve a spot, and please let us know if you are a museum member or not



Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, February 12th Noon

The Lunch bunch will meet at The Oakland Museum Cafe, 1000 Oak st. This will happen

immediately before the Museum outing, so people can attend both.

Please join us!

Email or call Norma Harrison, (510) 547-7530, betnorh@sbcglobal.net



Presentation on Digital Privacy

Thursday, February 20th 2:00

Linda Jacobson

In this age, safeguarding your personal information is more vital than ever. Whether it is your social security number, medical records, home address, email, phone numbers, or banking information, protecting your data is something we should all keep in mind. Come learn from an expert on digital privacy on how to ensure your personal information stays yours.

**Rotary volunteers
Weekend of February 22-23rd**

Our Rotary volunteers are coming back for



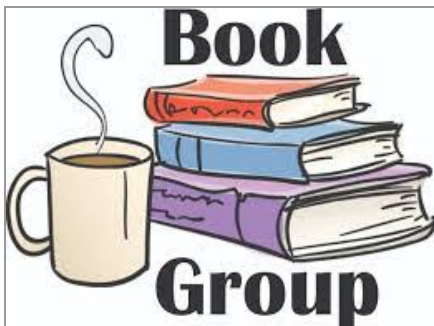
another round of Helping Hands! If you have any tasks around the house or yard that you could use some help with, contact the office to sign-up and have the volunteers come out.

Outing to hear EJ Dionne Thursday, February 27th 7:30

New York Times bestselling author and Washington Post columnist E.J. Dionne sounds the alarm in his book Code Red, calling for an alliance between progressives and moderates to seize the moment and restore hope in America's future for the 2020 Presidential election.



Join a group of villagers to hear Dionne speak at the Hillside Club in Berkeley, 7:30 pm, Thursday, February 27. We will arrange for a bus to pick us up at the office. Because the event is expected to sell out, we have purchased 10 tickets at \$12.50 each. Please contact Teresa Allen at txallen91@gmail.com or (510) 701-0298 to receive a ticket.



Non-fiction Book Group

Friday February 28 2:00. The book group will meet to discuss The Body by Bill Bryson.

To come in March:

One-act Playreading

At the January meeting, the Playreaders concurred that it would be beneficial to read some one act plays. By reading a one act, which take about 30 minutes, we will be able to have not only a critique and analysis, but also a chance to read it a second time. It is probable that two one acts per meeting can be read, allowing for each member to read an expanded number of roles. The scripts will be selected from the anthology, "24 Favorite One Act Plays". This one book will be used two or more meetings. Our March 10 reading will be Thornton Wilder's "The Happy Journey to Trenton and Camden" and a second TBA. Call me if you'd like to attend so I can suggest particular roles for you to prepare.

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An Historic Opportunity

When reliable good weather returns, NOV members and friends can join a custom designed walking tour of historic Mountain View Cemetery, final resting place for many whose names you will recognize - Chabot, Crocker, Borax Smith, Ghirardelli, for instance. Get some exercise while you learn more, sometimes scandalous, information about Oakland's history and the folks who helped make it.

Limited to 15, get your name on the list by calling the office or emailing Ruby Long at rplong145@gmail.com and you'll be notified when a date is chosen - after the rainy season has passed.

Led by Ruby Long, NOV member and Mountain View docent.

Ruby Long

Letter from our President

On the morning of my 65th birthday, (it was awhile ago...) my first thought was "I haven't had enough fun in my life! That HAS to change NOW!" I'd been a good girl, studying hard, acquiring Girl Scout badges, then graduate degrees, then husband, children and 8 carpools (seriously) and a demanding career - you know the type.



So I set out to have fun and to my surprise, promptly flunked gardening, making art, crafts, sophisticated gourmet cooking, shopping (yuk) and loafing. When I finally realized it's ok to have a weird idea of fun, I jumped into nonprofit board service. And I'm here to tell you that I'm having fun on the NOV board because of the wonderful people in our community and the feeling of making a contribution to a mission that helps to make the world a better place - right here, right now.

One of the people who inspires me is Joanne Devereaux, who completed her board service for NOV just last month. Full of energy and ideas, she contributed a great deal to the life of our village during her board tenure but clearly for Joanne, that's not the end of it. She suggested at one point that we needed a Volunteer Coordinator so she put together a job description for it and then took on the position and I'm grateful that she plans to continue in that role. Thank you very much for your many contributions to North Oakland Village, Joanne - in the past and now!

Have you found your fun yet?

Warmly, Susan Board President North Oakland Village

In Case you missed it....

Museum Outing at The Legion of Honor



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Ronnie's Movie Night Toni Morrison, *The Pieces I am* Friday February 21 7:00

2501 Harrison, Oakland, CA

Toni Morrison's *The Pieces I am* is an artful and intimate meditation on the life and works of the legendary storyteller and Nobel prize-winner. From her childhood in the steel town of Lorain, Ohio, to 70's era book tours with Mohamed Ali, from the front lines with Angela Davis to her own riverfront writing room- Toni Morrison leads an assembly of her peers, critics and colleagues on an exploration of race, America, history and the human condition as seen through the prism of her own literature.



Walking on Wednesdays

"Walking on Wednesdays" is a walking group activity sponsored by the Piedmont Recreation Department in which participants walk Piedmont's streets each week for about ninety minutes. Participants meet at 10:30 AM on Wednesdays, rain or shine, at the Exedra in the center of Piedmont at Highland and Magnolia Avenues. Walks are informal, providing physical and social activity in a casual, nonpartisan environment. All people are welcome to participate. There are no obligations or fees to participate. For more information, please contact Dick Carter at camktgrp@comcast.net.



"To get back to my youth, I would do anything in the world, except take exercise, get up early, or be respectable " Oscar Wild

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