

skyline'64 new Snote. 2.16

Please include my request that people donate to repair the baseball field scoreboard. The above url takes one to all current donation opportunities for Skyline HS projects. The scoreboard has not worked for several years. Thanks. I plan to drive to Oakland in early February and stay a couple months. Hope to see y'all soon. **Stan Lore**

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*****An update about my Dad. I went up to Oregon in November, in the middle of selling our house and buying a new condo, and met with representatives from the Bend and Klamath Falls Sheriffs' Departments and members of the local Search and Rescue crew. We had a long meeting about how my father might have flown around Klamath Lake on his way home to Reno from Sunriver, Oregon. He liked to fly low and buzz some relatives who live on the southwest side of the Lake not too far from where his shoe and foot was found washed up on a county park beach. The authorities are going to start a search in the area that George and I suggested. However, with the lake so low and now with the snow and bad weather, probably no real work will be undertaken until the spring.

While I was in Klamath Falls, I got to visit with several cousins and other relatives who remember my father very fondly. It was the first time I had seen them since 1985. It is actually quite heartwarming to me to think that Dad went down in the lake rather than in the Sierras as we had believed before. My brother had installed a memorial for Dad near where his mother (our grandmother) was buried in Klamath Falls a few years after he disappeared, even though we had no thought that he might have gone down there. Now it seems very serendipitous.

I'll let you know if anything new develops but probably won't hear anything for several months, if ever. Thanks for your interest and putting the information in the newsletter. I have heard from several people who remember my Dad and it has been really nice. **Deeana McLemore**



Another exquisite work from **James Morgan** (Click to enlarge)

From Marylaid Wood

In September a Hindu friend told me she was attending her niece's wedding in November, and I asked myself along. It was an arranged marriage. The couple met in August and the astrologers said the most auspicious time for marrying was 4 a.m. November 24. It was a mad rush as my passport was expiring and the Indian visa process is complicated. And I needed some summer clothes for the 81 degree weather.

My friend's family rented a condo for 5 of us in their complex which was older walkup buildings with a courtyard in the center. Each unit was painted a different color and each entry door was unique, often ornamented.

My friend's sister is a teacher and her husband is an insurance salesman, but although their jobs are middle class, the standard living is lower than middle class here.

Although the toilets were modern flush, most were outside the units and didn't take paper. The water comes on for two hours twice a day. There are no showers or tubs. A few people have washing machines but mostly washing is done by hand and hung outside to dry.

In this older part of Delhi life is centered around the courtyard. At 5 a.m. everyday a group of women came out, sat in the courtyard and chanted for an hour, accompanied by drummer and bells.

Most people didn't have cars; they parked motorcycles parked in the courtyard under the hanging laundry. The children play there with no fear of kidnapping. The cows have been blocked from entering but the dogs run loose. Every day a vegetable seller came to call out his wares and once a magician did a few tricks. Although English is taught in the schools, like most of us, people have forgotten it unless they work with foreigners. But I was able to make contact with smiles, photographs, dancing at ceremonies and playing peek-a boo with the children with my large hat.

The homes I visited had shrines with flowers, pictures of gods or holy men, and fruit for the gods. (It's ok to eat the fruit after it's dedicated.) There were three religious holidays during the 2 1/2 weeks I was there, and the women held ceremonies in the courtyard. My favorite was when about 50 of us paraded around the neighborhood with two drummers and stopped to dance every 100 yards or so and then lunch.

My impressions of India---colorful, noisy, badly polluted, and very friendly people. I'd go back.

***This is retirement????!!,
Melissa SilvermanWillaby***





Congratulations to Dr. John Lyman upon becoming the 2016 Montgomery County Medical Society President! A lovely evening at the Marriott concluded with his son Max on



the guitar and then guitarist Jim McCutcheon playing "The Pink Panther".

Cagliari's (**Joanne Belvedere**) from the first date 50 years ago til now! Congrats

OLDIES BUT GOODIES

I dedicate the first song of this segment to Glenn Frey of the Eagles, who passed Jan. 18, 2016 at age 67 (one year younger than me).

I will try to showcase songs that likely helped define us and our generation in some way.

Last month I called it The Music Beat. This month a new name, which also may change. If you have requests, email them to calpharmdoc@gmail.com. If I get a lot of requests for a song, it will definitely appear.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5NTqZ347TKY>
 Hotel California – The Eagles (Glenn Frey will be missed)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PQswfILThsY>
 Old Time Rock and Roll – Bob Seger and The Silver Bullet Band

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hnP72uUt_pU
 White Rabbit & Somebody to Love – Jefferson Airplane
Tom Simpson, Grateful Student Body President,



Lily and Gay

1964

BIRTHDAYS to celebrate

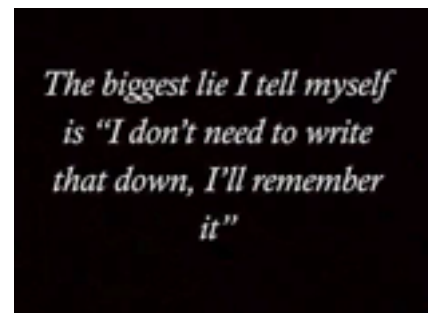
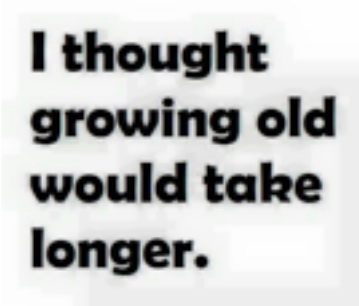
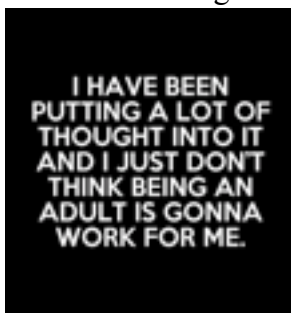


February

- 1 Barbara Ann Brandon
Michele Reynolds-Frost
Susan Bingham Pate
- 3 Linda Allred Glaze
- 5 Cynthia Young
- 8 Roy Manson
Rosemary Reitz
- 10 Gene Dange 1



- 11 Stan Lore
- 13 Robin Kibbe
Fred Runo
- 14 Diane Carniglia
- 21 Rod Bengston

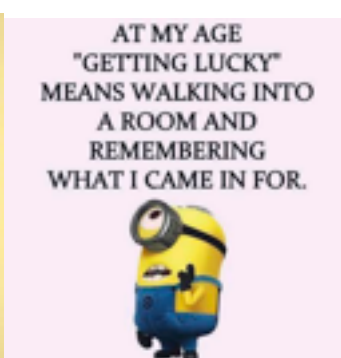


March

- 01 Al Newman
- 01 Diana Robinson
- 03 Martha Gooby Micks
- 04 Mildred Caldwell Swafford
- 04 Judy Card
- Dennis Bushell
- 04 Delsa Pauletich Ham
- 05 Sharlyn Brennan Tucker
- Doug Bartman
- Tina Illick Coolahan
- 08 Michael McGarry
- 10 Renee Cameto
- 11 Roy Langridge
- Jim Tompkins
- 21 Diane Cecil Laspina
- 23 James Pashayan
- 25 Randy Silver
- 27 Gary Caso
- 27 Larry Helzel
- 27 Roger Kientz
- 28 Dennis Bruns
- Ben Leet
- 29 Patty Marshall Monson



*Remember the fire drill when we were making crepe suzettes? Bret Harte
Thanks, Mrs. Crawford*



This newSnote is a day early as a reminder that **February 1** (Monday) is a dog cuisine day at **Kaspers (12:30)**.

This will also serve as a reminder that on **February 16** (Tuesday) we will have a belated Valentine's lunch on **Treasure Island at Job Corps Fine Dining**. Do need to know if you are coming (\$13+tip) as they order groceries against guest list. Do let me know if you are coming (welcome to bring paramours, grandchildren and parents) by February 9. I'll send directions.
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Lake Merritt History

In 1869, Dr. Samuel Merritt donated 155 acres of dammed tidal water from the headwaters of Indian Slough, it became known as "Merritt's Lake" and later as Lake Merritt. In 1925, Lake Merritt's Necklace of Lights is lit for the first time during the Dons of Peralta Water Festival. There are 126 lampposts, each given by an organization or an individual.

The lampposts and 3,400 pearly bulbs shine until 1941 when World War II blackout conditions are enforced.

Sometimes called the Jewel of Oakland, **Oakland is the only city in the United States with a salt water lake in the downtown metropolitan area.** Originally part of the San Francisco bay, in 1869, Oakland Mayor Dr. Samuel Merritt donated money to build a dam at the 12th Street bridge, across the "neck" of the inlet, thus creating the present day lake.

America's Oldest Wildlife

Refuge Lake Merritt originally resided as a wide, tidal estuary (salt water marsh) that was known as the Laguna Peralta. The Pacific Flyway has remained a sanctuary and stop-over for thousands of migratory birds.



Dr. Merritt declared the lake a National Wildlife Refuge in 1869. On March 18th, 1870 the statue of California was approved and Lake Merritt became the first protected wildlife refuge in America. A dam was proposed to regulate the tidal water flow, to increase the water level, with a retaining wall.

In 1915, organized feedings of the wild ducks began and ten years later the first bird island was constructed, with an additional four islands added in 1956. These are the largest of the artificial islands that house hundreds of egrets, herons, Canada geese and many other species of birds. Two of the islands are equipped with fresh water ponds. To ensure that marine sports and boating activities based at Lake Merritt aren't disruptive to the birds, a boom cordons off the five islands during nesting season.



Sat 2/6: [Annual Newt Hike, Tilden](#), Berkeley

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**Saturday & Sunday Strolls-Sibley** > [Home Page](#) > [Activity Search](#) > [Saturday & Sunday Strolls](#) > **Saturday & Sunday Strolls-Sibley** This is a drop-in program (no registrations taken). 02/13/2016 (Sat) from 10:00am to 12:00pm. Sibley: Skyline Staging Area  
Wake up and walk into nature. Each week we will explore a different park and the natural wonders within. Hikes range from 1-5 miles. Great for families. Dogs welcome on most hikes.

Feb 13: Sibley - Love is in the water? Search the quarry pond for amorous newts and frogs on this moderate 3 mile loop.No registration; drop-in. For information, call (510) 544-3187.

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[52walks](#) **[No. 50: Oakmore Steps](#)**

The view back down the Bridgeview Steps, which help make the Oakmore Highlands pedestrian-friendly.

After Leimert Boulevard crosses Dimond Canyon, it enters a neighborhood of twisty little streets climbing the hills. The Oakmore Highlands, developed in the 1920s, were designed to offer homeowners spectacular views but convenient pedestrian access to the streetcar line that ran across the Leimert bridge. Four stairways offer these links and make for a short but steep route with some panoramic vistas across the city.

Start at the small commercial area on Leimert and walk up Arden Place. A green sign tells you when you've reached a public stairway. The first set of steps is utilitarian and short, but after crossing Bridgeview Drive, you begin a more serious climb up past steeply terraced yards. The neighbors have made an effort to make the stairs welcoming, with the occasional geranium or seasonal decoration marking their gates.

The third set of stairs offers the best view of Oakland.

At the top of this second stair, you find Leimert Boulevard again. Turn and appreciate the view; a sliver of downtown Oakland and the port can be seen through a keyhole in the trees. Turn right on Leimert and look for the next public stair sign, which will be on your left around the sharp curve in the street.

This third set of steps is wooden, with a rustic feel. Be sure to look back again at the top for a panorama of Oakland and the San Francisco hills across the bay. Then turn right on Oakview Drive and walk to the end of the court. The final set of steps descends to your right beneath a heavy canopy of trees. Turning right on Hoover at the bottom of the steps, you have an easy walk downhill to Leimert.

Most of the homes in the Oakmore Highlands neighborhood are in the Mediterranean style, but some have fantastic details — ornate ironwork or Hobbit-style arches over their gates; Storybook touches like portholes in the brickwork.

It's worth noting that as recently as 10 years ago, these steps were in such bad disrepair, they could hardly be used. The neighborhood took up their cause and persuaded the city to repair them in 2004.

Getting there: The closest bus service is to Park Boulevard, a short walk along Leimert Boulevard to Arden Place. Metered parking is available in the small neighborhood commercial area around Leimert and Arden.

Cool stuff in the neighborhood: Red Boy Pizza and Thai Bistro, at the corner of Arden Place and Leimert Boulevard, offer sit-down dining. Rocky's Market, near the Leimert bridge, has cold drinks and a small selection of groceries.

More information: About the [history of the Oakmore Steps and the neighborhood](#) from the Oakmore Homes Association. Oakland Urban Paths led a five-mile walk that incorporated most of this route. [Description and link to a map](#) can be found on Oakland Local.



Francesco's in Oakland is closing - GO NOW - Le Continental

Last week I heard from a friend that Francesco's Italian Restaurant, near the airport in Oakland since 1968, will be closing its doors for good soon. The word is they will be open until March or April of 2016. I ... Continue reading →
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One of Oakland Port's Biggest Tenants Moving Out

Ports America, which runs operations at dozens of ports in the U.S., said it would terminate a 50-year lease with the port of Oakland and cease cargo operations within 30 days. wsj.com

By Erica E. Phillips Oakland

Oakland history is really hot.....lots of site, the easiest being Oakland History on FaceBook sdc

Steve Kopff shared his [post](#) to the group: [Oakland History](#).

I found these old plans the city had to plant certain tree species concentrated along our traffic corridors. It's a shame it wasn't implemented- the value it would add to breathing fresher air not to mention the beauty it would add. Anyway- enjoy the map

Steve Kopff with **Kemba Shakur**.

At one point the city of Oakland had a plan on planting designated tree species along our street corridors . Is it too late to ask for its implementation.

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[Oakland California](#) Hometown Oakland collection, past and present #oakland pinterest.com

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**Oakland History Room** needs your support - join them, share the Oakland Love!

This link is to a PDF form through which you can donate to the Oakland Library History room to support their ongoing work to preserve Oakland History. If you share my enthusiasm for the heritage of Oakland, I encourage to consider making a donation at any level you are comfortable with to support this terrific organization - they need OUR help.

example of some of the images restored from their collection that are on display at the US District Court in Oakland.

<https://www.flickr.com/.../bennetha.../albums/72157624785737789>

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History of Oakland's Chinatown

William Gee Wong, author of [Yellow Journalist: Dispatches from Asian America], talks about the history of Oakland's Chinatown neighborhood and his experience as a Chinese American growing up in the... c-span.org

As a partner on a groundbreaking, experimental project called the Oro Loma Horizontal Levee, **Save The Bay** is creating new habitat that may model how our region can adapt to rising sea levels. Meanwhile, UC Berkeley researcher Aidan Cecchetti is measuring another aspect of the project: How this habitat can filter excess nutrients and other pollutants from treated wastewater. That's what we call "Win-win."

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[Andrew Alden to Oakland History Bits of history are lying all around us. My latest post on Oakland Underfoott](#)

[Granite curbs](#)

Older parts of Oakland are graced with proper curbstones -- carved granite rather than molded concrete. They have the whiff of simpler times, of street trolleys and horse-drawn vehicles. They were ... oaklandsidewalks.wordpress.com

J.M. Heinold's First & Last Chance Saloon, Oakland, c.1910

Built in 1880 from the timbers of an old whaling ship, Johnny Heinold opened this saloon over the water in a dock area at the foot of Webster Street. For nearly three years, the building served as a bunk house for men working nearby oyster beds. During the 1920s, the ferry between Alameda and Oakland berthed next to the saloon, making it a commuter's 'First and Last Chance' for refreshments, a ... See More



Dorothy Londagin to Forgotten Montclair ·

Before and After -- Hays School 1886-1913 Named after John C Hays, famous Texas Ranger (long before Walker) who settled in what would become Montclair in 1860's. School



building designed by Goodrich & Newton built for cost of \$2500.

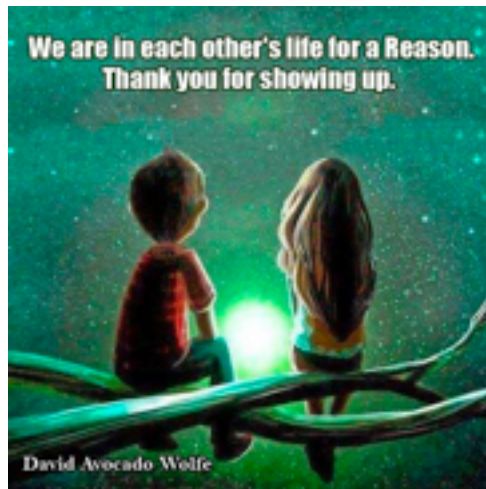
In 1913 the Sacramento Northern started laying the tracts for the railroad behind the school. In 1927 a firehouse for Montclair Engine Co 24 was built the site of the old Hays school site. Both pictures are from the Oakland History Room

MacFarlane's Candy Company - Oakland - LocalWiki

The MacFarlane's Ice Cream and Hard Candy factory and head office were located from 1947 to 1977 at 2355 Broadway, Oakland, in the Cuyler Lee Building, and is now the home of Sweet Bar Bakery. localwiki.org

in 1911, **Joaquin Miller**, "poet of the Sierra" who had ridden with the Pony Express and lived for a year with a Native American tribe, was critically ill at Fabiola Hospital in Oakland and his physician said death might come in a matter of hours (he lived until February 13 or 17 1913)

Have mentioned this before, but the **Oakland Museum Women's Board White Elephant Sale team** could use some younger recruits (us!). Here's another sample of what goes on. To view or print the Trumpet (WES newsletter) [CLICK HERE](#)



My Valentine greeting to all.

