

October 2020

OPDC

OAKLAND TOGETHER

A Newsletter for Older
Oakland Residents

Oakland Pen Pals

Feeling a little isolated? Join the OPDC pen pal program! As colder weather sets in, a pen pal is a great way to feel connected with your neighbors while still practicing social distancing. Tell us about your interests and communication preferences, and we will match you with another member of the Oakland community. Participants can choose to correspond via regular mail or email. To sign up, visit <http://bit.ly/opdcpenpal> or call our Marketing and Community Programs Coordinator, **Maura McCampbell**, at 713-444-1592. We will match you with a pen pal, and send you a letter in the mail which will include your pen pal's name and contact information. Happy writing!

Digital Literacy (for adults 60+)



The Pitt Office of Community Engagement and Macedonia FACE are offering workshops for older adults to learn about using video conferencing platforms, email, smartphones and laptops. To register for a workshop, contact **Macedonia FACE** at 724-931-5386 or email **Audra Thomas** at AThomas@macedoniaface.org. Workshops will be held from 1:00-2:00pm on 10/30, 11/13, and 11/20 via Zoom.



Oakland Community Meetings

OPDC hosts monthly community meetings via Zoom. These meetings are a great opportunity to learn about current happenings and to let us know what issues are important to you! The next Oakland-wide meeting date is Tuesday, 11/24 at 6:00pm via Zoom. Check out our events calendar at <http://opdc.org/calendar> or call our Community Services Director, **Andrea Boykowycz**, at 412-417-5560 for more information, or to request printed materials.

FREE FLU SHOTS

The Neighborhood Resilience Project will be offering free flu shots on Monday, 10/26 from 5:00-8:00pm at 2038 Bedford Avenue, Pittsburgh PA, 15219. No pre-registration required, all you need is a face covering. Bring your Giant Eagle Advantage Card to get a \$5 credit after your vaccine is administered.

Trick-or-Treat!

COVID has not canceled Halloween this year, but there are some new guidelines for how to stay safe. As usual, trick-or-treating is from 5:00-7:00pm on Saturday, 10/31. There should be NO in-person interactions at the door! Place candy outside for trick-or-treaters. If you're out with little goblins and fairies, everyone should wear a face covering at all times and follow social distancing guidelines.

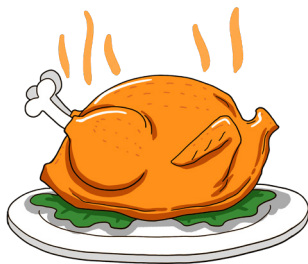


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Get Stuffed With Love



Pittsburgh Police and partnering
organizations are providing Thanksgiving
meals for those in need. Request your
meal by contacting Community Relations
Officer **Dave Shifren** at (412)-422-6559.

Adopt-a-Block

Volunteers will be holding a neighborhood
cleanup event on Saturday, 11/14 from
10:30am-12:00pm. Contact [questions@
opdc.org](mailto:questions@opdc.org) if you see a problem spot that
needs attention, or want more information
about this ongoing program.

ELECTION DAY IS NOV. 3!

Need Help Getting to the Polls?

Contact our Community Services
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417-5560.