



Message From City Manager Erik Tungate

In order to Elevate Oak Park we must rise together! Our first steps in elevating Oak Park's parks and recreation opportunities will focus on the City's central campus, an area that includes David Shepherd Park and additional green space we are looking to transform into a four-season event hub. Through the yearlong Parks and Recreation Master Plan update process City officials were keen on learning what residents said would make our City better. The results of these multiple citizen engagement sessions and surveys showed that recreation items of the highest importance to residents are:

- Fitness, wellness and cultural programming
- · An indoor swimming pool
- · Trails and greenways
- An indoor running/walking track
- Natural parks and preserves

- Restrooms
- A Farmers Market pavilion/ special event spaces
- · An indoor gym
- A community/recreation center

These items also rose to the top of a Priority Investment Rating system conducted during our Parks and Recreation Master Plan update process because of the unmet need we have for them in the Oak Park community.

Through a partnership with Oakland County and through a multi-faceted funding strategy our City will have some of these needs met in the near future.

Soon our beloved David Shepherd Park will see some upgrades, thanks to a newly formed partnership with Oakland County. This investment from Oakland County, which is currently estimated to be more than \$2 million, will allow us to take our recreation opportunities to new heights while still maintaining the history of David Shepherd Park.

Expected improvements are to include: new bathrooms; updated pavilions; new play equipment updated walking paths and trails.

Grant funding and outside investments are going to play a key role in elevating Oak Park, and we have already begun work to secure such funds for additional parks and recreation projects. The Event Hub, which will debut in the open grass space between City Hall and the Library in the coming years, is one such project that will have multiple streams of funding.

The Event Hub, which I believe will be an ultimate game changer for our City, will include an outdoor amphitheater; a four-season event hub that will house our farmers market, a commercial kitchen and play host to small scale community events; a memorial garden; walking paths; and open space. This space will bring the Oak Park community together to socialize, shop local and

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learn valuable skills. The COVID-19 pandemic brought to light the food insecurity that many residents in Oak Park face, along with the true importance of community. The Oak Park Event Hub will expand the accessibility and inclusivity of programming for wellness and connectivity of the Oak Park community, with emphasis on Oak Park's family and senior communities. The development of the Event Hub will also allow for additional cultural and fitness programs, due to the added space and resources.

Thus far we have secured \$750,000 in grant funding for the Event Hub through Oakland County and we are working toward securing additional grants. We will also be fundraising for the Event Hub, which is estimated to cost about \$8 million.

The development of the Event Hub and improvements to Shepherd Park have been identified as immediate priorities to meet our parks and recreation needs. However, that does not mean they are the City's only priorities. We are also diligently working to develop proposals for a new community center and improvements to our parks across the City.

We are striving to reach new heights here in Oak Park, well beyond our tallest trees. Our work is certainly cut out for us in bringing our residents the parks and recreation opportunities they deserve, and we are ready to meet the challenge. I truly believe making the newly adopted Parks and Recreation Master Plan a reality will elevate Oak Park far above the rest.

But, in order to make our dreams a reality we must rise together!

Sincerely





We are jumping into summer full force this year with a laundry list of events that will keep you entertained!

 The real summer kickoff for 2023 is our State of the City Address, which will take place on May 11 in the Community Center. City Manager Erik Tungate and Mayor Marian McClellan will provide updates on City



- operations, review our recent successes and tease what's in store for the City in the year(s) to come! This is always such an invigorating event, and a perfect way to build excitement for all that's in store for the summer of 2023!
- The next big event for the summer is the return of Summer Blast. This well-loved community fair will again be coming to the Oak Park Community Center grounds between June 16-18! With the return of Summer Blast will also come the return of the Skerbeck Family Amusements carnival. including the Ferris wheel, a mini-pub, a variety of food vendors and plenty of entertainment! The City is proud that Summer Blast is a community focused event, so bring your kids, grandkids, neighbors, cousins and whoever is looking to create a newfound tradition! Admission is free and for those looking to enjoy ride-after-ride-after-ride daily armbands are \$20 per day on Friday and Sunday and \$25 for all day Saturday.
- Another returning community-wide event during Summer Blast weekend is the City's annual Juneteenth Celebration on Sunday,

June 18. This year, the celebration will span throughout the day on June 18, with events kicking off with a "Walk With Me and I'll Walk With You" themed one mile walk. The free walk will begin at 9:45 am on the Community Center grounds and registration for the free walk will begin on May 1 via the City's website. Following the walk there will be health and wellness vendors setup, an art exhibit in the Oak Park Public Library and a Juneteenth program. The program will begin at 4 pm in the City's tennis courts, where the Summer Blast stage will be set up. The program will include dancing, honorary speakers, a fashion show, music, recognition of the winners from the annual City of Oak Park Juneteenth Student Self Expression Contest and recognition of fathers in the community. To view the detailed list of events for the Juneteenth Celebration visit bit.lv/OPJuneteenth.

The final major event required for a true Oak Park summer is the long-loved tradition of spending the Fourth of July watching and participating in the Oak Park Independence Day Parade! With the Juneteenth one mile walk serving as preparation, we expect you to be ready for the Mayor's 5K RUN/WALK, which will begin at 8 am on July 4. This run/ walk is \$25 for pre-registration and \$30 for



registration. Each participant receives a t-shirt and post-race snack and refreshment. Following the race is the Oak Park Youth Assistance Pancake Breakfast from 9-11 am in Shelter 1 at Shepherd Park. This is the place to fill up before heading to the parade route! The Independence Day Parade kicks off at 11 am, beginning at Coolidge Highway and Nine Mile Road and ending at Shepherd Park. Our Grand Marshals this year are Dog

- and Pony Show Brewing and Girl Scout Troop 77555.
- Following the parade is Fun Fest, which happens in David Shepherd Park between 11 am and 3 pm. This is a family-friendly event with live music, inflatables, a petting zoo, pony rides and more.

Mark your calendars now to create core memories with this longstanding Oak Park tradition!

2023 Fourth of July Grand Marshals

Business Grand Marshal: Dog and Pony Show Brewing

This local brewing company has been a solid sponsor of many of Oak Park community events over the years and has become well known faces when it comes to speaking of Oak Park's continued growth and success. The faces behind Dog and Pony Show Brewing—a group of brothers—have been spotted on both Channel 2 and Channel 4 highlighting their business and the welcoming community that Oak Park is. Dog and Pony Show Brewing hosts numerous events, such as yoga, live music, themed evening events, a weekly run club and more. The brewery was also named in Eater Detroit as one of the best "Hip Detroit Bars to Know." This business has demonstrated a love for the City of Oak Park and its resident!



Resident Grand Marshal: Girl Scout Troop 77555

In 2021 the Oak Park Recreation Department was approached by a newly formed Oak Park Girl Scout Troop: 77555, led by Carian Warren. Since then, this troop has regularly volunteered at all Oak Park community events, providing fun and free activities for families. Events this troop has donated its time, and creativity, to include Boo Bash 2021, Trunk or Treat 2022, Autumn Fest 2021 and Winterfest 2022 and 2023. Girl Scout Troop 77555 has also worked with the Recreation Department, Humana and SMART to assemble and provide lunches for the homeless. This local Girl Scout Troup promotes and exemplifies the true meaning of volunteerism!





The City of
Oak Park is
better because
of the dedicated
individuals
who volunteer
their time.

he City of Oak has 19 different Boards, Commissions and Sub-Committees, with more than 100 different members. Each one of these bodies, and every individual on these bodies, is tasked with specific roles that helps our City grow and thrive. The time and effort our Boards and Commissions put into pushing Oak Park forward is great, and does not go unnoticed.

Recently, the City held its Boards and Commissions Recognition Dinner where the focus was the volunteers, and all that they have helped the City accomplish over the last several years.

Some of the recent accomplishments of the City's Boards and Commissions include:

- Programming City Hall Art Gallery, Annual World Dance Day event, Annual Film Festival:
- Planning and hosting the Annual Flower Sale, Flower Exchange and Beautification Awards;

- Ensuring a smooth presidential election:
- Increasing safety at the library, along with enhancing technology access, increasing programming and community outreach and supporting capital improvement projects;
- Assisting with special recreation events such as Winterfest, Boo Bash and Summer Blast:
- Assisting staff in updating the 5-year Recreation Master Plan: Elevate Oak Park;
- Approving various site plans and ordinance changes;
- Adding stop signs and no parking signs to further calm traffic;
- Organizing the Linear park cleanup and electronics recycling event;
- Expanding the Juneteenth Celebration programming;
- Moving forward with opening the City's First Dog Park;
- And making sound financial decisions to further retirement investments for City employees.

As noted, the dedication of the Oak Park Boards and Commission members is deep. but also often quiet. Some members dedicate years—and in some cases decadesto the betterment of the City. At this year's Boards and Commissions Recognition Dinner two individuals who have dedicated 30 years-each-to serving on a City Board or Commission were recognized.

Alvin Lewis 30 years on the Recycling and Environmental Conservation Commission

Alvin Lewis has been so dedicated to recycling over the years that he has a two-pound ball of staples that he removed from paperwork. He has proven to be a valuable member of the Recycling and **Environmental Conservation Commission.**

Herschel Goldstein 30 years on the Board of Review

Herschel Goldstein has always been fair and equitable in his decision making on the Board and always takes the time to





learn and understand the process and his role as a Board member.

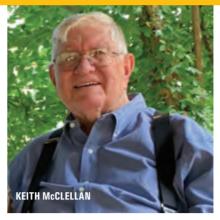
Their time and dedication is greatly appreciated by the City and it will be honored with the dedication of plagues in their name, to be placed along some of the sunflower beds in the City (located in front of the Community Center). The plaques to be dedicated in honor of Mr. Lewis and Mr. Goldstein will accompany the plagues the City has dedicated to other long-term Boards and Commissions members.

While the 2023 Boards and Commissions Recognition Dinner was dedicated to honor all those serving Oak Park as acting members of these bodies, time was also spent remembering Oak Park residents who have passed away, but whose volunteerism left a lasting impact on the City. Those honored in memoriam were:

Reatha Richmond **Beautification Advisory Commission member since 1986**

Reatha Richmond dedicated a great deal of her time and energy working to beautify







the community and to pay recognition to the others who did the same.

Keith McClellan **Lonatime City Volunteer**

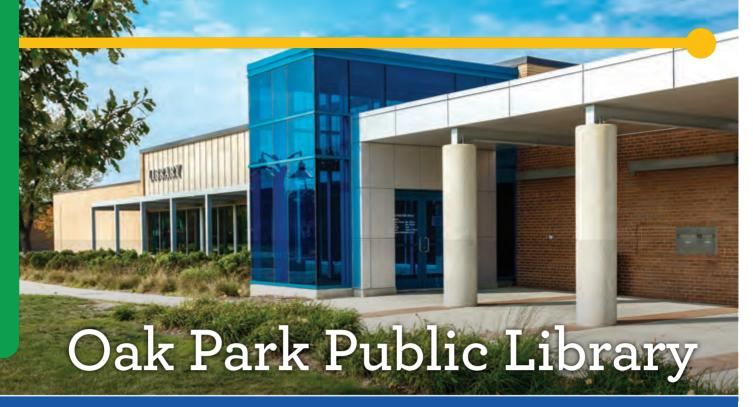
Keith McClellan was a dedicated and integral participant of the Friends of the Library for around 20 years. He was also part of the Oak Park Historical Society and contributed a wealth of knowledge in the area of local history by creating several well documented manuscripts.

Thomas Zerafa **Longtime City Volunteer**

Thomas Zerafa had a direct impact on the City of Oak Park through the many years he worked as an election inspector. He was committed to ensuring sound and fair elections.

The City of Oak Park is better because of the dedicated individuals who volunteer their time to help their community serve as a pillar of excellence. Our volunteers our truly the heartbeat of the Oak Park community.

Those interested in serving on a Board or Commission can learn more by visiting bit.ly/OPBoards.



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Monday-Thursday 10 am to 8 pm HOURS: Friday 10 am to 5 pm Saturday Closed, Sunday 1 to 5 pm **Kimberly Schaaf, Director 4** @ Oak Park Library 0 @ oakparkmilibrary

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

JEWISH HERITAGE MONTH STORYTIME

Sunday, May 7, 1:15-1:45 pm | Ages 0-5 with a Caregiver

May is Jewish Heritage Month and we're hosting a special storytime to celebrate our Jewish neighbors! Make an afternoon of it by coming for storytime then staying for the David Rodgers concert featuring popular Jewish music at 2 pm.

No Registration required.

TODDLER STORYTIME

Ages 0-3 | Thursdays in May, 10:15-10:45 am

Bring your tot for a story and song with Ms. Anna followed by play in our Youth Department! We'll bring out some additional age-appropriate toys just for them. No Registration required.

FAMILY STORYTIME

Ages 0-5 | Tuesdays in May, 10:15-10:45 am

Read, sing, rhyme and have fun with Ms. Melissa as your child builds important early literacy skills! No Registration required.

SING. SAY. POINT. PLAY. PLAYGROUP

Tuesdays, June 6 to August 1 (except July 4) at 11 am Recreation Room B | Ages 0-3 with a Caregiver

Discover your superpowers to help your child learn to talk and read! You can expect to play with your child for 45 mins, get new ideas that support your child's learning and connect with other parents while your child makes new friends! Call 844-456-5437 for more information. Registration required.

TEEN EVENTS

EXAM CRAM STRESS RELIEF KIT

Register now through May 22 | Pick Up June 1-9.

Teens Grades 9-11

Exams can be stressful. We've put together a little kit to help you

keep calm and focused while studying for finals. Register now and we'll send you a reminder to pick up your kit the week before finals.

Registration required.



IMPORTANT Library Hours Notice:

On school days between the hours of 3-4 pm, the library is only available for the following services: computer use, printing, fax, scanning, study rooms, picking up items on reserve, or attending a specific library event. Please call upon arrival to access the above services during the 3-4 pm hour.

ALL AGES FAMILY EVENTS

GRAB & GO: POETRY KIT

Beginning April 1

All ages | While supplies last | One per person

April is National Poetry Month. Our poetry Grab & Go kit has everything you need to get inspired and be creative, including book pages, pens, words from magazines, a notebook, examples of different types of poetry, and more! Stop by the Reference Desk to pick up your kit.

GRAB & GO: SALSA GARDEN KIT

Beginning May 1

All ages | While supplies last | One per person

May is National Salsa Month and we've put together a kit that's fun for the whole family! Kits include seeds, soil, containers, and instructions for growing everything you need to make fresh salsa. Add your own peppers to spice it up! Stop by the Reference Desk to pick up your kit.

FAMILY TIE-DYE

Sunday, June 25, 2-3 pm

All ages | One registration required per family

Fun for all ages. We'll provide the ties and dyes, you bring the item you want to dye (a light colored t-shirt, canvas tote bag, or pillowcase are great items to use). We'll send your item home in a plastic bag with washing instructions and you'll be flaunting your wearable art in no time! Registration required for each family. Rain date Sunday, July 2.

EVENING WITH AUTHOR EBONY LADELLE!

Thursday, June 22 | 6:30 pm | Recreation Room B

We are excited to host Michigan Notable Book author and Oak Park native Ebony LaDelle to Oak Park to discuss her young adult book Love Radio! Made possible with a grant from the Library of Michigan and Michigan Humanities. Books will be available for purchase by Oak Park's Book Beat during this event. Registration required.



Memorial Donations

- Kenneth Sherman, in honor of Duster
- Mayor McClellan, for the Library's Youth Department

If you'd like to support the library, please call our director at 248-691-7480.



ADULT EVENTS

PARENT WORKSHOP:

PICKY EATERS & PROBLEM FEEDERS

Presented by Early On and the Great Start Collaborative Wednesday, April 26 | 6-7:30 pm | FREE

This workshop will help parents understand the various factors that affect eating and learn ways to reinforce children's positive food behavior. Parents will also learn strategies to help reduce challenging eating behaviors and make mealtimes more enjoyable. This free workshop is for parents and caregivers (adults only please). Registration required.

THE BEST OF JEWISH AND ISRAELI MUSIC! **Live Concert with David Rodgers**

Sunday, May 7 | 2 pm

Join pianist David Rodgers on an uplifting musical journey through Jewish and Israeli music. Featuring solo piano performances of religious, Yiddish, celebratory, modern American, dance, and other Jewish songs, Rodgers will offer historical background info and stories, musical trivia, and a question and answer session. Registration required.

OAK PARK BOOK CLUB

Our growing group of readers meet in-person on the first Wednesday of each month at 6pm! Copies of each book are available at the circulation desk one month before we meet.

Upcoming Selections:

May 3: The Secret Life of Bees, by Sue Monk Kidd June 7: The Watchmakers, by Harry & Scott Lenga August 5: Leadership in Turbulent Times, by Doris Kearns Goodwin





DTE SINGERS

Sunday, May 21 | 2 pm

Founded in 1932, DTE Singers (a.k.a. "Detroit Edison Glee Club") continues to entertain audiences with a varied repertoire spanning genres including choral novelty, pop, classical, jazz, folk, and selections from screen and stage! **Registration required.**

ADULT COLORING

Tuesdays in April & May | 5-7 pm

Drop in on Tuesday evenings with friends for this relaxing activity. Colored pencils and coloring sheets provided!

OAKLAND COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS COUNSELING

Did you know Oakland County provides FREE business counseling for Oak Park entrepreneurs? Contact Business Forward consultant Daryl Peguese at (248) 931-8046 or email peguesed@oakgov.com for information.



MEDICARE 101

Presented by Area Agency on Aging Wednesday, May 17 | 2 pm

Medicare can be complicated—even confusing—with its multiple parts and the many choices it offers. There are dates and deadlines to remember, lots of confusing terms and different kinds of plans. How do you cut through the clutter in your mailbox and inbox to make the right decisions? Medicare 101 is designed to help you understand the basics. Knowing what to do, when you need to do it and making smart choices. **Registration required.**

COMPUTER CLASSES WITH IRINA

2nd and 4th Thursday in April and May | 9 am Limited to Oak Park residents.

Bi-weekly computer classes are back! Bring your questions about computers, laptops, computer programs, eReaders, or email accounts. You may bring your own laptop, or use a library computer during the class. Ideal for those new to technology and those looking to brush up on their skills. **Registration required.**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE CONVERSATION CLASS

Classes available for new learners

and intermediate/advanced speakers.

We've partnered with Siena Literacy Center of Detroit to provide those learning English an opportunity to strengthen their skills in a small group setting. In-person and virtual classes available. Contact the library at 248-691-7480 for more information. **Registration required.**

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Spring Book Sale!

April 26 – 28, limited 3-day only event.

Friends of the Oak Park Library meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7 pm via Zoom. Interested? Email us at friends.oakparklibrary@gmail.com



SUMMER READING **CHALLENGE 2023**

June 11-Aug. 6

Summer Reading Kick-off Party Live Reptiles and Amphibians! Sunday, June 11, 1-3 pm

Stop by anytime between 1-3 pm to pick up your Summer Reading supplies and meet some cold blooded friends! We're hosting a bunch of Michigan reptiles and amphibians for you to view, learn about, feed, and touch! Our Summer Reading Challenge is open to all ages. Kids between the ages of 0-10 will get a free book when they register, with fun incentives for teens and adults offered throughout the summer too.



HERE'S HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Kids Ages 0-10

Register and pick up your BINGO sheet to keep track of your progress all summer! For every BINGO you earn you'll r eceive stickers to add to our big wall mural the more stickers you earn then the more of the mural will be revealed!

Teens Ages 11 – 18

Register starting June 11 and track what you read this summer. Turn in trackers you receive at the library to win instant prizes or be entered in the grand prize drawing!

Adults

Register starting June 11, pick up your tracker, and start reading! We're giving away two \$50 Kroger gift cards, and you can enter to win just by reading! You'll earn a Summer Reading Scratch-Off when you read three books, and TWO scratch-offs when you read five! Scratch the cards to reveal how many entries you've won for the gift card drawing – you could also win an instant prize!

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PAYMENT METHODS

We accept checks or money orders made payable to the City of Oak Park, cash paid in-person, and the following credit cards:

American Express[®], Discover[®], MasterCard[®], or Visa[®]



4 Ways to Register for Recreation Programs

ONLINE REGISTRATION

Register online for activities by clicking on the "Click Here to Register" button on the Recreation Department's page of the City's website, at www.OakParkMI.gov. Or, go directly to the online registration page at http://bitly.com/OPRegisterOnline. When registering online, follow these easy steps:

- 1. Visit http://bitly.com/OPRegisterOnline.
- 2. Enter the required information to generate your customer identification and password.
- 3. Click on the activities you want to register for.
- 4. Pay with a credit card, print your receipt, and receive an instant email confirmation of your purchase.

MAIL-IN REGISTRATION

A mail-in registration is available for most activities, except when athletic contracts are required for registration. For athletic contracts, register in person. To register via mail:

- 1. Complete the Recreation Registration Form, see form on adjacent page.
- 2. Include check or money order payable to the City of Oak Park. Do not include cash or credit card numbers.
- 3. When a birth certificate is required for registration, a copy of the birth certificate can be mailed or the original can be delivered in-person to the Recreation Department.

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION

Register in-person during regularly scheduled business hours. The Recreation Department is located in the City's Community Center at 14300 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park.

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 am to 5 pm (Closed 1 to 2 pm) Open every other Friday, 8 am to 4 pm April 14 and 20, May 12 and 26, June 9 and 23. Closed on May 29 and July 4.

BY PHONE

Register by phone with a credit card (American Express®, Visa®, MasterCard® or Discover®) by calling (248) 691-7555.

Classes are filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. Register early! Refund policies apply.



MOTHER/SON DANCE

Sunday, May 7 from 4- 6 pm (New date and time)
Resident: \$35/couple, \$12 each additional child.
Non-Resident: \$40/couple \$12 each additional child

Come celebrate Mother's Day weekend at the Mother/Son Dance at the Community Center! Included is dinner, dance, photo booth, and a rose for mom! Call (248) 691-7555 to register in advance by May 1. No tickets sold the day of, at the door.

SUMMER BLAST

June 16-18. Mark your calendar for the Kick off to the Summer 2023 Season! You know summer is officially here with the long-awaited Summer Blast weekend! We welcome Skerbeck Family Amusements once more as they bring us an event full of fun, food and excitement for our residents of all ages. Rides! Games! Food! Live music throughout the weekend in our mini pub area.Don't miss out! Pre-purchase day long ride wrist bands at www.skerbeckcarnival.com/OakParkSummerBlast. Visit www.oakparkmi.gov for up-to-date information.

Summer Blast hours are:

Friday, June 16: 4-11pm | \$20 ride band Saturday, June 17: Noon-11pm | \$25 ride band *purchase ahead and save \$5 Sunday, June 18: Noon-6 pm | \$20 ride band

ENTERTAINMENT SERIES

David H. Shepherd Park will once again be the site for our outdoor movies and concert series, so mark your calendar for the 2023 Summer Entertainment Series. These events are for everyone! All you need is a blanket and lawn chair; Topp Dogg will be on hand for food to purchase.

Our FREE Summer Entertainment series will kick off on Thursday July 6 with an outdoor movie: "Puss in Boots; The Last Wish". This evening will start at 6 pm, and feature live music by Momford & Sons from 6:30-8 pm. The movie will start at 8:15 pm. This evening brought to you in partnership with the Oak Park Library.

All events start at 7 pm

- July 6: Outdoor Movie: Puss in Boots; The Last Wish *6 pm start
- July 13: The Black Lake Band
- · July 20: The Couriers
- July 27: Concert featuring LL7 Latin Jazz
- Aug. 3: Concert featuring Pat Smilie Band
- Aug. 10: Outdoor Movie: DC League of Super Pets

4th OF JULY CELEBRATION

This time-honored celebration is not to be missed. The day is packed full of fun for everyone. The morning starts with the Mayors Fun Run (pre-registration is encouraged), a wonderful Pancake Breakfast, then the parade which will kick off The Funfest!

MAYOR'S 5K RUN /WALK Monday, July 4, 8 a.m. START

\$25 pre-registration/\$30 day-of-registration.

OPYA PANCAKE BREAKFAST

From 9 to 11 a.m. at the Shelter 1, David H. Shepherd Park

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

11 a.m. to Noon

Route begins at Coolidge Highway and McClain and ends at David H. Shepherd Park

One of Oak Parks' oldest and most celebrated annual tradition is the Independence Day Parade. We welcome thousands of people from all over southeast Oakland County for this event. Park your lawn chair on Coolidge Hwy or Oak Park Blvd along with your shades and sunscreen. The parade ends at Shepherd Park where the Fun Fest is!

FUN FEST

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at David H. Shepherd Park

We'll have plenty of family –friendly fun for all ages. Live musical entertainment, inflatables from Oakland County Parks, a great food court with Kosher food available.

OAK PARK FARMERS MARKET

KICK OFF: Wednesday, July 5 from 9am to 2pm

The Oak Park Farmers Market will kick off in the Oak Park High School parking lot, located on Coolidge Highway and Oak Park Blvd. Farm fresh Michigan produce, baked goods, shea butters, coffee, teas, cooking demonstrations, market give aways, live music, hot foods and more!

POWER OF PRODUCE PROGRAM

The Power of Produce Program is back with new and exciting activities for children and seniors alike! These activities are fun, educational and best of all you earn \$3 to spend at the market each week! Pre-registration is required as there are limited spaces, and this program fills up fast. Call (248) 691-7555 to register.

SPECIAL EVENT DAYS

- Special event days are Family Market Day, July 26 where additional community resources are available for contact information.
- Senior Market Day is scheduled for Aug. 23, and it is programmed the same way.

The Oak Park Farmers Market accepts SNAP/EBT, WIC coupons, Senior Project Fresh Coupons, Prescription for Health coupons and participates in the Double Up Food Bucks program. Many if not all of our vendors accept credit cards and all will accept cash. Call 248-691-2357 for more information.



DAY TRIPS

The Oak Park Recreation Department is proud to partner with Bianco Travel and Tours to offer an exquisite line of day trips. These trips require us to book well in advance. We are currently booking for the following tours. As additional tours become available, we will add the information in the lobby of the



Community Center. Full details available in the Recreation Department lobby! Contact the Recreation Department at (248) 691-7555 for more details.

FRANKENMUTH

Thursday, June 22

7:45am-5pm | \$97/person

Round Trip Transportation - Via deluxe highway motorcoach. This day long trip to little Bavaria includes Bronners Christmas store. Be dazzled by this one-acre Christmas wonderland featuring Christmas decorations from three nations around the world in religious and toyland themes. Family Style Lunch at the famous Bavarian Inn. Free time in Frankenmuth to shop. Don't delay, this trip will sell out quickly. Call the Recreation Office to secure your spot today, 248-691-7555.

Course: Frankenmuth23

SAUGATUCK

Thursday, July 20

7:45am-8:15pm | \$161/person

Round Trip Transportation - Via deluxe highway motorcoach. Coral Gables (11:00 am) Tour and lunch at Coral Gables, built in 1906 and still family owned. Proceed on to shopping in downtown Saugatuck, the Art Coast of Michigan! In a retail world increasingly dominated by bigness and sameness, the shops of Saugatuck are almost audacious in their individuality. End your day with a Saugatuck Dune Ride, one of western Michigan's premier attractions.

Course: Saugatuck23

EXTENDED TRIPS

The Oak Park Recreation Department is proud to partner with Bianco Travel and Tours to offer an exquisite line of extended trips. These trips require us to book well in advance. We are currently booking for the following tours. As additional tours become available, we will add the information in the lobby of the Community



Center. Full details available in the Recreation Department lobby!
Contact the Recreation Department at (248) 691-7555 for more details.

MACKINAC LILAC FESTIVAL

Wednesday, June 7 through Friday, June 9

3 days/ 2 nights | \$850/per person (double occupancy)

Round Trip Transportation - Via deluxe highway motorcoach. 2 nights at a downtown Mackinaw Island Hotel located on Main Street. Features include Shepler's Ferry to Mackinac Island, enjoy the largest event of the summer: the Lilac Festival and experience the splendor of the lilacs as they are in bloom across the island. Tour the island in a horse and carriage, sit down to a decadent buffet in the Grand Hotel, and tour its grounds. Not an experience to miss! Stop in the Recreation lobby for full details.

Course:Mackinac23

Chicago

Wednesday, September 6 through Friday, September 8 3 days/ 2 nights | \$775/per person (double occupancy)

Round Trip Transportation - Via deluxe highway motorcoach. Two night stay at the Hampton Inn & Suites in downtown Chicago, featuring The Museum of Science & Industry (the largest science museum in the western hemisphere), shopping the Magnificent Mile, A narrated architectural boat cruise and dinner at the Walnut Room. Stop in the Recreation lobby for full details.

Course: Chicago23

MEADOWBROOK THEATRE

The Recreation Department has secured tickets for the entire Meadowbrook 2022-2023 season. Stop by the Recreation Department or visit the Recreation page on the City website under Theatre, for up to date information.

HONKY TONK ANGELS

Wednesday, May 10

\$80/person | Included lunch at Mitchell's Fish Market

When three gutsy gals from different backgrounds take charge of their lives, they decide to follow their honky-tonk dreams to the city of Nashville. Combining 30 classic country tunes, including "Stand By Your Man", "9 to 5", "Harper Valley PTA", and more, the Honky Tonk Angels is a hilarious, foot stomping good time from the creator of Always... Patsy Cline. Limited tickets. Register today!

NOISES OFF

Wednesday, June 14

\$65/person | Included lunch at Loccino

This play-within-a-play captures a touring theatre troupe's production of Nothing On in three stages: dress rehearsal, the opening performance and a performance toward the end of a debilitating run. Progressing from flubbed lines and missed cues in the dress rehearsal to mounting friction between cast members, slamming doors, falling trousers, and flying sardines in their final performances, audiences are treated to a hilarious behind-the-scenes peek that truly challenges the age-old saying "The show must go on." Don't miss this last performance for the Meadow-brook season, it's sure to be a sellout. Limited tickets. Register today!

Summer Pool Season June 10 Through Aug. 19



We are excited for the summer pool season to begin! Information regarding all of our pool programs including Water Aerobics, Swim Lessons, Lap Swim, and Pool Rentals are listed below. We appreciate all suggestions from the community and are doing our best to provide the finest summer experience possible at the Oak Park Pool.

POOL EVENTS

GRAND OPENING - Saturday, June 10

DAILY RATES

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Open Swim Daily Fee - Resident:

- · Ages 3 and Under, FREE
- Ages 4-54, \$4 per day
- Ages 55 & Up, \$3 per day

Open Swim Daily Fee - Non-Resident:

- · Ages 3 and Under, FREE
- Ages 4-54, \$6 per day
- Ages 55 and Up, \$5 per day

SEASON POOL PASSES

Resident: Ages 4-54, \$30 | Ages 55 and Up, \$20 | 10 punches **Non-Resident:** Ages 4-54, \$50 | Ages 55 and Up, \$30 | 10 punches Women's & Men's Only: 20 punches | Resident \$50/Non-Resident \$60 Women's & Men's Only: 40 punches | Resident \$90/Non-Resident \$110

Resident rates apply to residents of Oak Park, Ferndale, and Hazel Park.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Sunday, 1 to 6 p.m. Monday, 2 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, 2 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, 2 to 7 p.m. Thursday, 2 to 7 p.m. Friday, 1 to 8 p.m. Saturday, 1 to 6 p.m.

SPECIAL POOL HOURS

WOMEN-ONLY AND MEN-ONLY SWIM

The Oak Park Pool will be hosting separate female-only and male-only swim hours. For any number of reasons, including faith and personal preference. More times/hours may be added throughout the pool season, check back for more details.

Female-Only Swim:

Female lifeguards will be assigned during women-only swim. Monday-Wednesday, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Sundays, 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Fee: \$3 Resident/\$5 Non-Resident or Season Pass

Male-Only Swim:

Male lifeguards will be assigned during men-only swim. Tuesday and Thursdays, 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Fee: \$3 Resident/\$5 Non-Resident or Season Pass.

ADULT-ONLY LAP SWIM

Fee: \$4 Resident/\$6 Non-Resident or Season Pass.

One lane will be available. More times/hours may be added throughout the pool season, check back for more details. Additional lanes may be added based on pool attendance.

Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Morning:

Afternoon: Monday-Thursday from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Friday from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Weekend: Saturday & Sunday from 3:30-5:30 p.m.



WATER AEROBICS

June 12 through Aug. 19 | \$3 Resident/\$4 Non-Resident

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9 to 10 a.m. Sunday (Female-Only): June 11-Aug. 13 from 9 to 10 a.m.

This fun and energetic class is geared towards improving your overall health and well-being. Water aerobics uses all aspects of a typical aerobics class but with the added health benefits of using water as a natural form of resistance, creating an excellent full-body workout with great heart benefits and endurance development.

SWIM LESSONS

Classes will begin the week of June 19 with morning sessions at 10 am. For more information, including start times, contact the Recreation Office at (248) 691-7555.

5 to 8 years old, 9 to 15 years old, and adults. Mondays and Wednesdays | 10 a.m. | 1 hour \$48 Residents/\$53 Non-Residents

Session 1: June 19 to July 5 **Session 2:** July 17 to Aug. 2

Parent/Tot (Ages 1-4)
Saturdays at Noon | 1 hour | 4 weeks
\$32 Residents./\$37 Non-Residents

Session 1: June 24 to July 15 **Session 2:** July 22 to Aug. 12

DOG DAY AT THE POOL

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Sunday, Aug. 20 from noon to 3 p.m.

Cost: \$15/dog pre-registered, \$20/dog day-of registration

Each registered dog receives a gift and a 55-minute dog-only swim session. Must have proof of current vaccinations and a dog license before entry is allowed. For the safety and enjoyment of the dogs, we offer separate swim times for various size dogs. They are:

#DDAP123 Small Sized Dogs (under 30 lbs.) Noon to 12:55 p.m. **#DDAP223 Medium Sized Dogs** (under 30-69 lbs.) 1 to 1:55 p.m. **#DDAP323 Large Sized Dogs** (70 lbs. and up) 2 to 2:55 p.m.



POOL RENTALS

Are you planning a party, baby shower, family reunion, or any special event and looking for a unique, fun venue to host it at? Consider renting the Oak Park Pool. It's sure to be a welcome splash! For more information on pool rentals and to make your reservations, call the Recreation Department at (248) 691-7555.

Availability: Saturdays: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. | Sundays: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Rental Fees After July 1

Up to 75 people 76 to 100 people 101 to 200 201 to 400 \$360 Resident/\$410 Non-Resident for three hours \$410 Resident/\$460 Non-Resident for three hours \$460 Resident/\$510 Non-Resident for three hours \$600 Resident/\$650 Non-Resident for three hours

A \$75.00 deposit is required on all pool rentals. All pool rentals MUST be paid in full on the booking date to reserve the date and time.

CALLING ALL LIFEGUARDS!

Oak Park Recreation is seeking responsible pool operators and lifeguards. We provide all the training you need to be successful. As long as you are a strong swimmer and a responsible individual, no experience necessary! We certify you in First-Aid, CPR, and other essential lifeguarding skills. Help us provide a safe, clean, and accident-free environment for your community by joining our exciting team... because it's more than just a paycheck!

DAY CAMP & LATCHKEY

JUNE 12 to AUG. 4

Enrollment is on a first come, first served basis. Fees must be paid in advance. We do not take deposits. Latchkey participants must be enrolled in Summer Day Camp or Tot Lot Day Camp to be enrolled in the Latchkey program. For additional information call Oak Park Recreation at (248) 691-7555.

TOT LOT DAY CAMP (Age 5-6) SUMMER DAY CAMP (Ages 7-12)

Full Week (5 Days)

Monday-Friday, 9am to 4pm \$135 per week, Resident | \$145 per week, Non-Resident

July 3-7 (4 Days, Closed on July 4) \$108 Resident | \$118 Non-Resident

LATCHKEY (Ages 5-12)

AM Latchkey: 8 to 9am | Full Week (5 Days) Monday-Friday | \$25/Resident, \$30/Non-Resident 4 Day Week (4 Days, Closed July 4) July 3, 5, 6 and 7 | \$20/Resident, \$25/Non-Resident

PM Latchkey: 4 to 5pm | Full Week (5 Days) Monday-Friday | \$25/Resident, \$30/Non-Resident 4 Day Week (4 Days, Closed July 4) July 3, 5, 6 and 7 | \$20/Resident, \$25/Non-Resident



MARTIAL ARTS

GO-TI YOUTH MARTIAL ARTS

Tuesday and Thursday, 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. \$65 Resident/\$70 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

Ages: 8-13 | Community Center

GO-TI Youth Karate is a class specifically designed for beginner through intermediate skill levels. It enhances a child's focus, memory, teamwork skills, discipline, self-control, fitness, balance, and coordination. All of this is achieved through exciting and fun games and activities. Students should dress in gym attire. Participants will be assessed on their overall skills on the first day of class. A responsible adult must remain in attendance during class. Instructor: Grand Master Dereke Batten.

May 9 - June 29 July 11 - Aug. 31

YOUTH SOCCER

Saturdays, Aug. 26 to Oct. 28 | 9 to 11 a.m. | 9 weeks Registration Begins: June 5 Registration Ends: Aug. 4

Games are every Saturday and some week nights
Practices take place in Oak Park, Games take place in Ferndale.

Oak Park will participate in the Quad-City Alliance Soccer League. They compete with teams from Ferndale, Hazel Park and Pleasant Ridge. This is a co-ed soccer league. Participants are provided with jersey, shorts, and soccer socks. Shin guards are not provided but must be worn at all games and practices.

U4 SOCCER

Fee: \$40 Resident/\$45 Non-Resident

Course: 1000FW23

U6 SOCCER

Fee: \$55 Resident/\$60 Non-Resident

Course: 1002FW23

U8 SOCCER

Fee: \$60 Resident/\$65 Non-Resident

Course: 1001FW23

U10 SOCCER

Fee: \$65 Resident/\$70 Non-Resident

Course: 1003FW23



Make a Difference in the Lives of Our Youth

BECOME A VOLUNTEER COACH

Are you interested in making a difference in the lives of the youth of our community? Become a volunteer coach. Even if you are not an expert in the sport, we need more positive role models in the lives of our youth to help them develop into well-rounded individuals. Oak Park administrators will help provide you with practice plans and provide you with the equipment you need. If you have any interest, Please contact the Recreation Office at (248) 691-7555.

BECOME A SPONSOR

Interested in sponsoring a team? Donate money to your favorite youth sport and get your logo on the back of each player's jersey. Contact our office at (248) 691-7555.

YOUTH BASEBALL

Saturdays, June 3 to July 15 | 9 to 11 a.m. | 9 weeks Registration is open now | Practice starts in May

Oak Park teams will participate in the Tri City Alliance Baseball League, competing with teams from Ferndale and Hazel Park. This is a co-ed baseball league. Participants are provided with jerseys and ball caps. Teams will be provided bats, balls, and batting helmets. Coaches are responsible for choosing practice times and locations.

T-BALL 5/6

Fee: \$45 Resident/\$50 Non-Resident

Age: 5-6

COACH PITCH 7/8

Fee: \$45 Resident/\$50 Non-Resident

Age: 7-8

PONY 9/10

Fee: \$55 Resident/\$60 Non-Resident

Age: 9-10

MINOR 11/12

Fee: \$55 Resident/\$60 Non-Resident

Age: 11-12



YOUTH BASKETBALL

SMART START BASKETBALL

Mondays, April 24 to May 22 | 6 to 7pm | Ages: 3-5

Community Center Room A | 5 weeks

Fee: \$32 Resident/\$37 Non-Resident

We are excited to help these little ones develop a love of the great game of basketball! Class focuses on teaching various basic skills. Some which include passing, dribbling and shooting.

ADULT ACTIVITIES

KICKBALL LEAGUE

Fridays, June 2-Aug. 11 (no games June 16)

6 to 10 p.m. | Ages 18+

Registration is open now | David Shepherd Park Fee: \$350 + \$50 Refundable Team Forfeit Fee

The Oak Park adult co-ed kickball league is an organized, great way to stay active and have fun! Teams are provided shirts, scorebooks, and two WAKA regulation kickballs. Teams pay a \$13 umpire fee at each game in addition to the league fee. Season ends with a single elimination playoff. For more information, please contact the Recreation Office at (248) 691-7555.





CLASSES

BASIC HATHA YOGA

Thursday from 10:30 to 11:30 am

Ages 50 and up | \$32 Resident/\$37 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

There must be a minimum of five participants for class to run. This class provides a basic yoga foundation. Instruction is personalized around the unique needs of those enrolled. Don't forget to bring your own mat. Instructor: Bob Smith.

Course: HathaMay2023 - May 11-June 29 (no class 6/15)

GENTLE CHAIR YOGA

Mondays from 9 to 10 am

Ages 50 and up | \$29 Resident/\$34 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

There must be a minimum of five participants for class to run. Gentle Chair Yoga provides gentle therapeutic yoga exercise while reducing stress on joints and muscles.

Course: Gentle Chair May 2023 - May 1-June 19

TAI CHI FOR BEGINNERS

Tuesday, from 10 to 10:45am

Ages 18 and up | \$56 Resident/\$61 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

There must be a minimum of five participants for class to run. Learn the ancient Chinese system of exercise and movement meditation in an effort to develop flexibility and coordination, and to slow down the aging process. All experience levels are welcome! Instructor: Holly Malloy.

Course: Tai Chi Beg May2023 - May 2-June 6

TAI CHI FOR RETURNING STUDENTS

Tuesday, from 11:30am to 12:15pm

Ages 18 and up | \$56 Resident/\$61 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

There must be a minimum of five participants for class to run. This class utilizes the ancient Chinese system of exercise and movement meditation to develop flexibility and coordination while striving to improve the aging process. Practice the ancient art of Tai Chi. This class is for experienced students only. Instructor: Han Hoong Wang.

Course: Tai Chi Ret May2023 - May 2- June 20

SENIORS IN MOTION

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 10 am

Ages: 50 and up | \$40 Resident/\$45 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

Raymond DeFoe, the energetic guru of senior exercise will be providing these morning classes designed to energize your day! The class includes warm up, cool-down, low impact aerobics, strength and balance training and flexibility exercises. Each class maintains core fitness exercises that have been proven effective in assisting participants to maintain and improve strength, balance, posture, flexibility and stamina. The SIM program allows instructors to be creative with their aerobic routines and provide modified exercises to match the participants' varying levels of ability. Instructor: Raymond DeFoe.

Course: Seniors May 23 - May 4-June 2

ZUMBA GOLD CHAIR

Thursdays, 5 to 6 pm

Ages: 50 and up | \$48 Resident/\$55 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

Zumba Gold can be done standing or sitting in a chair, and is perfect for people who have mobility or balance problems, or for people who just want to start in a chair. Classes typically run 30 minutes, which is usually enough time for people. You will be surprised on just how much can be done in a chair! Let's have fun dancing to some great music while in a chair! Instructor: Renee Wilson.

Course: ZumbaChair May2023 - May 4-June 29 (no class 6/15)

YOGA IS FOR EVERY BODY

Mondays from 7:15 to 8:45 pm

Ages: 18 and up

\$56 Resident/\$61 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

There must be a minimum of five participants for class to run. Yoga is for EVERY BODY! This course is designed to fit the needs of the beginner as well as the returning student. Emphasis is placed on stretching and strengthening the muscles, improving posture, breathing and deep relaxation. Reducing stress is an important benefit! Bring a mat and wear loose clothing. Instructor: Sherry Stone.

Course: YogaEveryBody May2023 - May 8-July 3

STRETCH IT OUT

Tuesdays from 10:15 to 11am

Ages: 18 and up

\$35 Resident/\$40 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

Stretch It Out is a low impact, low intensity workout that will tone muscles, increase range of motion and flexibility, and help to relieve stress. Through a series of stretching and toning exercises, participants will develop breathing techniques to complement this resistance training workout. This class is for everyone who would like to improve their health by practicing intentional, yet simple, movement and balance, borrowed from several disciplines, including yoga, safe therapeutic movement, and beneficial stretching. Comfortable, unrestrictive clothing suggested.

Course: StretchMay23 - May 2-June 20

Course: StretchJune23 - June 27-Aug. 22 (no class 7/4)

ZUMBA GOLD (Evening Session)

Thursdays from 6 to 7 pm

\$48 Resident/\$53 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

It's time to live your life like it's golden! This is perfect for active older adults who are looking for a modified Zumba class that recreates the original moves you love at a lower intensity. The class introduces easy to follow choreography that focuses on balance, range of motion, and coordination. Whether you are new to Zumba or just looking to have fun and move, come ready to sweat and prepare to leave feeling empowered and feeling strong! Instructor: Renee Wilson

Course: ZumbaChair May2023 - May 4-June 29 (no class 6/15)

ZUMBA FOR ALL

Tuesdays from 6 to 7 pm

\$40 Resident/\$45 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

Forget working out and join a dance party atmosphere full of Latin and international music. Zumba combines high energy and motivating music to create a fun and energetic workout that is just infectious! Bring a towel, water, and yourself. Ditch the workout and join the party! Instructor: Alicia Jackson

Course: ZumbaMay2023 - May 2-June 20

DRUMSTICK FITNESS & STRETCH

Mondays from 9 to 10 am

Ages: 50 and up | \$40 Resident/\$45 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

Instead of listening to music, you become the music in this exhilarating full-body workout that combines cardio, conditioning, and strength training with yoga and pilates-inspired movements. This class combines chair exercises as well as standing and dance moves, choreography routines, some kickboxing cardio and strength, stretching at the end. You will be thoroughly immersed in this exercise class as you believe in the power of music while sampling new forms of movement on your journey to better physical and mental health.

Course: DrumstickMay23 - May 15-July 17 *(no class 5/29 & 7/3)* **Course: DrumstickJuly23** - July 24-Sept. 18 *(no class 9/4)*

HUSTLE CLASS

Wednesdays from 6 to 7 pm

\$40 Resident/\$45 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

This is a choreographed dance wherein a group of people dance along to a repeating sequence of steps while arranged in one or more rows. The dancers are not in contact with each other, and you do not need a partner. Each dance is usually associated with and named for, a specific song. We dance to the popular music styles of rhythm and blues, jazz and music that mixes in mild rap. Instructor: Maurice Adams

Course: HustleMay2023 - May 17-July 5 (no class 6/14)

BALLROOM DANCE BEGINNERS

Fridays from 6 to 7:15 pm

\$40 Resident/\$45 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

Learn Detroit Style Ballroom dance—a partner dance where the cha-cha is the basic step. It's not the formal traditional ballroom dance like the waltz and Foxtrot. The dance is easy and lots of fun. This style of dance originated over 60 years ago and is still popular, not only in Detroit, but around the country. You'll learn new dance steps get your steps in for getting into shape. Imagine the next social event where you'll be able to showcase your ballroom moves. Bring a partner or come alone. Yes, even you can learn to dance. Instructor: Maurice Adams

Course: BallroomBegMay2023 - May 19-July 14 (no class 6/16)

BALLROOM DANCE ADVANCED

Fridays, 7:30 to 9 pm

\$45 Resident/\$50 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

The prerequisite for this class is that you have taken the Beginner ballroom class, or you are familiar with the basic Detroit Style Ballroom beginner steps. This class builds from where the Beginner class left off with more sophisticated combinations of dance moves. Bring your partner or come without a partner. Instructor: Maurice Adams

Course: BallroomAdvMay2023 - May 19-July 14 (no class 6/16)

MIDDLE EASTERN BELLY DANCE

\$75 Resident/\$80 Non-Resident | Ages: 20 and Up | 8 weeks

There must be a minimum of five participants for class to run. This class attracts participants of all shapes and sizes who come dressed in comfortable clothing to learn the art of belly dance. Express yourself through dance and learn fun ways to maintain health. Enjoy the physical and personal benefits of belly dancing abdominal toning, leg strengthening, self-esteem, and an essence of sensuality. No experience necessary. Instructor: Dee Watkins

Mondays 6-7pm

Course: BellyMonMay2023 - May 8-July 3

Wednesdays 6-7pm

Course: BellyWedMay2023 - May 10-July 5 (no class 6/14)



BRUNCH & LEARN

Our group had such a great time at the Outdoor Adventure Center in Detroit that we are headed back for more fabulous topics about Michigan while we have a wonderful light brunch then head off to a local restaurant for lunch.

The trips will leave Oak Park at 8:45 am, with the program starting at the Adventure Center at 9 am, tour of the building from 10:30 am-11:30 am. When we leave for our restaurant destination is still TBD. The cost for each Brunch and Learn at the Outdoor Adventure Center is \$7/person. Lunch will be on your own. Preregistration is required and tickets will go fast!

MARVELOUS MICHIGAN GEOLOGY

Thursday, April 27

Discover what natural processes gave our state its shape and abundant natural resources! Find out more about the fascinating geology of the Great Lakes State with the staff at the Outdoor Adventure Center. They will present a virtual tour of some of our most breathtaking and interesting sites. Then we will rock through some activities and have fun with fossils. Lunch will follow at Pegasus in Greektown.

DNR IN DETROIT

Thursday, May 25

Ever wonder how the Michigan DNR became part of the City of Detroit's park offering's? Learn from the team that made it happen: DNR Director Rodney Stokes, Parks and Recreation Division Chief Ron Olson and discover the reasons and the dream behind the creation of the Outdoor Adventure Center. Learn the how and why Belle Isle became a state park. Lunch will follow at Green Dot Stables.

HUMMINGBIRDS OF THE GREAT LAKES

Thursday, July 27



This presentation will describe the research objectives of the Great Lakes HummerNet, which includes how you can participate, provide helpful hints on how to attract and feed hummingbirds & provide gardening tips. A short hike will follow the presentation to check out the wildflowers and see if any hummingbirds are hanging around. Lunch will follow at TBD.

SPECIAL SUMMER EVENTS

SENIOR SUMMER PICNIC

Kick off the summer getting reacquainted with old friends and meeting new ones at our Senior Summer Picnics! Good times, great food, and marvelous music for our seniors in Oak Park! Sign up early as space is limited. Pre-registration is required. Food prepared by Topp Dogg: Hot dog or sausage, coleslaw, chips, beverage and dessert.

Friday June 23 | Noon-2:30pm | \$6/person Shelter 1 in David H. Shepherd Park

SENIOR MEALS

MEALS ON WHEELS "More than just a meal"

Meals on Wheels home delivery is available in Oak Park as long as you call at least one week in advance. Lunch can be served with a pre-ordered meal. For more information, call Senior Meals on Wheels at (248) 223-9160.

SMART TRANSPORTATION

The Oak Park Recreation Department provides transportation through a partnership with SMART buses for residents who are seniors, age 50 or above, and individuals who have a disability.

Our transportation hours have a brand new start time!

We now are able to begin scheduled pick-ups at 8am with return time no later than 4:30 pm (when prior arrangements are made), Monday through Friday.

In addition to our regular Kroger and Meijer days, we are adding shopping opportunities to Target, Walmart, Aldi and Marshall's! Qualified individuals can contact the Recreation Department to schedule transportation at (248) 691-7555.

VIRTUAL HEALTH

FREE Virtual Classes. Presented by Beaumont Health. Visit classes.beaumont.org to register or call 800-633-7377.

DO YOU HAVE HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE?

Presented by Corewell / Beaumont Health. Learn effective strategies for managing your hypertension beyond medication. High blood pressure (also called hypertension) puts you at risk for heart disease, stroke, kidney damage, vision loss and more. Controlling you blood pressure is important. Learn the basics of high blood pressure, tips for stress management, the importance of nutrition, incorporating physical activity and much more. Lifestyle changes CAN help lower blood pressure.

Thursdays, April 13-June 1 | Time: 6-7:30pm

CHRONIC PAIN PATH (Personal Action Toward Health)

Chronic pain got you down? Pick yourself up with this FREE program you can enjoy from the comfort of your own home. Learn skills for day-to-day management of your pain including how to balance physical activity and rest.

DIABETES PATH PROGRAM

Diabetes PATH is a fun, interactive workshop that will equip all adults living with Type 2 Diabetes to live a healthier life. Patients and their caregivers will gain hands-on experience learning to manage all aspects of their diabetes from the convenience of their own home.

Mondays, beginning April 3 | Time: 1-3pm

Monday, April 3 is an informational session which is strongly encouraged, classes begin April 10.

Thursdays, beginning May 4 | Time: 1-3pm

Thursday, May 4 is an informational session which is strongly encouraged, classes begin May 11.

ARE YOU AT RISK FOR DIABETES?

The Diabetes Prevention Program has been proven twice as effective as medication alone in preventing Type 2 Diabetes. During these free, virtual sessions you will learn to make lasting changes, focus on healthy eating, establish a healthy lifestyle, be more active and stay motivated!

Mondays, beginning April 3 | Time: 6-7pm

Monday, April 3 is an informational session which is strongly encouraged, classes begin April 10.

Tuesdays, beginning April 11 | Time: Noon-1pm

Monday, April 11 is an informational session which is strongly encouraged, classes begin April 18.

Wednesdays, beginning May 3 | Time: 6-7pm

Monday, May 3 is an informational session which is strongly encouraged, classes begin May 10.

DROP-IN PROGRAMS

50 UP CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Fee: \$6 Res./\$12 Non-Res. | Calendar Year Renewal

The mission of the 50 Up Club Membership is to provide Oak Park's diverse, mature population with education, exercise, and recreation programs to challenge the mind and body to greater heights of personal achievement. Join our Senior 50 Up Club and enjoy our weekly senior drop-in sessions at the Community Center, located at 14300 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park. Call (248) 691-7555 for more information.

HOURS

Monday to Friday, 9 am to 5 pm (Closed 1 pm to 2 pm for lunch) Every other Friday, 8 am to 4 pm

You must be a 50 Up Club Member to enjoy the following programs:

MONDAY

Bingo, every Monday, 11:30 to 1:30 pm, Inquire about fee

TUESDAY

Watercolor Drop-In, 12 to 3 pm **Contemporary Quilters,** every third Tuesday, 1 to 3 pm

WEDNESDAY

Ping Pong, Noon to 2 pm **Scrabble Club,** 1 to 4 pm

THURSDAY

Bid Whist, 1 to 4 pm

Drop In Hustle, Noon to 1 pm, \$5/resident; \$7/non-resident



2022 WATER QUALITY REPORT

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

rinking water quality is important to our community and the region. The City of Oak Park and the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) are committed to meeting state and federal water quality standards including the Lead and Copper Rule. With the Great Lakes as our water source and proven treatment technologies, the GLWA consistently delivers safe drinking water to our community. Oak Park operates the system of water mains that carry this water to your home's service line. This year's Water Quality Report highlights the performance of GLWA and Oak Park water professionals in delivering some of the nation's best drinking water. Together, we remain committed to protecting public health and maintaining open communication with the public about our drinking water.

WHERE DOES MY WATER COME FROM?

Your source water comes from the Detroit River, situated within the Lake St. Clair, Clinton River, Detroit River, Rouge River, Ecorse River, watersheds in the U.S. and parts of the Thames River, Little River, Turkey Creek, and Sydenham watersheds in Canada. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, and the Michigan Public Health Institute performed a source water assessment in 2004 to determine the susceptibility of GLWA's Detroit River source water for potential contamination. The susceptibility rating is based on a seven-tiered scale and ranges from very low to very high determined primarily using geologic sensitivity, water chemistry, and potential contaminant sources. The report described GLWA's Detroit River intakes as highly susceptible to potential contamination. GLWA's Springwells water treatment plant that draws water from the Detroit River has historically provided satisfactory treatment and meets drinking water standards.

GLWA has initiated source-water protection activities that include chemical containment, spill response, and a mercury reduction program. GLWA participates in the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit discharge program and has an emergency response management plan GLWA has an updated Surface Water Intake Protection plan for the Belle Isle Intake. The plan has seven elements that include: roles and duties of

government units and water supply agencies, delineation of a source water protection areas, identification of potential sources of contamination, management approaches for protection, contingency plans, siting of new water sources, public participation, and public education activities. If you would like to know more information about the Source Water Assessment report, please, contact GLWA at (313) 926-8127.

CRYPTOSPORIDIUM FACTS

Cryptosporidium is a microbial pathogen found in surface water throughout the U.S. Although filtration removes Cryptosporidium, the most commonly used filtration methods cannot guarantee 100 percent removal. Our monitoring indicates the presence of these organisms in our source water. Cryptosporidium was detected once, during a twelve-month period at our Detroit River intake plants. Current test methods do not allow us to determine if the organisms are dead or if they are capable of causing disease. Ingestion of Cryptosporidium may cause cryptosporidiosis, an abdominal infection. Symptoms of infection include nausea, diarrhea, and abdominal cramps. Most healthy individuals can overcome the disease within a few weeks. However, immuno-compromised people, infants and small children, and the elderly are at greater risk of developing life-threatening illness. We encourage immuno-compromised individuals to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to take to avoid infection. Cryptosporidium must be ingested to cause disease, and it may be spread through means other than drinking water.

Unregulated contaminants are those for which the EPA has not established drinking water standards. Monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants. Beginning in July of 2008, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) began monitoring quarterly for unregulated contaminants under the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 2 (UCMR2.) All the UCMR2 contaminants monitored on List 1 and List 2 in 2008 were undetected.

SPECIAL HEALTH CONCERNS

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons

such as person with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800) 426-4791.

SUBSTANCES EXPECTED TO BE IN DRINKING WATER

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it can dissolve naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive materials, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharge, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also

For more information on safe drinking water, visit U.S. Environmental Protection Agency at www.epa.gov/safewater

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come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.

 Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration, or FDA, regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

QUALITY AND SAFETY

As mandated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the City of Oak Park is proud to present our latest Water Quality Report. Developed to provide you with valuable information about your drinking water, you will see as you review this report that your drinking water meets or exceeds all governmental standards set for water quality and safety. The Department of Public Works is proud of that fact and wants you to know they are committed to delivering the highest quality drinking water possible.

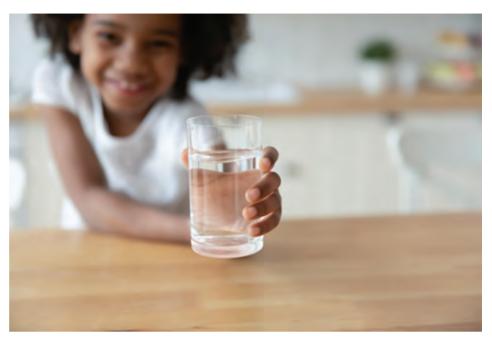
SAFEGUARDS

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. The State and the EPA both require us to test our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety.

LEAD AND COPPER MONITORING

Information about lead: If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Oak Park is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components.

When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you have a service line that is lead, galvanized previously connected to lead, or unknown but likely to be lead, it is rec-



ommended that you run your water for at least 5 minutes to flush water from both your home plumbing and the lead service line. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791 or at

http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Safe drinking water is a shared responsibility. The water that GLWA delivers to our community does not contain lead. Lead can leach into drinking water through home plumbing fixtures, and in some cases, customer service lines. Corrosion control reduces the risk of lead and copper from leaching into your water. Orthophosphates are added during the treatment process as a corrosion control method to create a protective coating in service pipes throughout the system, including in your home or business. The City of Oak Park is proud to have completed the replacement of all known lead services lines. Additionally, the City of Oak Park performs required lead and copper sampling and testing in our community. Water consumers also have a responsibility to maintain the plumbing in their homes and businesses, and can take steps to limit their exposure to lead.

Infants and children who drink water containing lead could experience delays in their physical and mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many

years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure.

Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor

As of December 31, 2022, the City of Oak Park has the following service line inventory:

- Total number of lead service lines: 0
- Total number of service lines with unknown material: 9.411
- Total number of service lines: 10,701

CONCLUSION

The City of Oak Park and the Great Lakes Water Authority are committed to safeguarding our water supply and delivering the highest quality drinking water to protect public health. Please contact David DeCoster, at (248) 691-7497, if you have any questions or concerns about your water. As always, public participation is always welcome. The Oak Park City Council meets at 7:00pm on the first and third Monday of each month. The meetings are held at the Oak Park City Hall, located at 14000 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park, MI 48237.

Source: Water Quality Work Group. This messaging was developed collaboratively between GLWA and its wholesale water customers as part of the GLWA Customer Outreach effort in 2016

2022 SPRINGWELLS REGULATED DETECTED CONTAMINANTS TABLES

2022 Inorganic Chem	2022 Inorganic Chemicals – Annual Monitoring at Plant Finished Tap							
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest Level Detected		Violation	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Fluoride	7/12/2022	ppm	4	4	0.60	n/a	no	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate	7/12/2022	ppm	10	10	0.54	n/a	no	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Barium	5/16/2017	ppm	2	2	0.01	n/a	no	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from meta refineries; Erosion of natural deposits

Lead and Coppe	Lead and Copper Monitoring at the Customer's Tap in 2022							
Regulated Contaminant	Unit	Year Sampled	Health Goal MCLG	Action Level AL	90th Percentile Value*	Range of Individual Sample Results	Number of Samples Over AL	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Lead	ppb	2022	0	15	3	0-22	1	Lead services lines, corrosion of household, plumbing including fittings and fixtures; erosion of natural deposits
Copper	ppm	2022	1.3	1.3	0.2	0.0-0.5	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.

The 90th percentile value means 90 percent of the homes tested have lead and copper levels below the given 90th percentile value. If the 90th percentile value is above the AL additional requirements must be met.

2022 Disinfecton Residual – Monitoring in the Distribution System								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MRDLG	Allowed Level MRDL	Highest Level RAA			Major Sources in Drinking Water
Chlorine Residual	2022	ppm	4	4	0.67	0.61-0.73	no	Water additive used to control microbes

2022 Disinfection By-Products – Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products Monitoring in the Distribution System								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest Level LRAA	Range of Qtly Results		Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2022 2022	ppb ppb	n/a n/a	80 60	28 18.75	21-41 11-29	no no	By-product of drinking water chlorination By-product of drinking water chlorination

2022 Turbidity -	2022 Turbidity – Monitored every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water Tap					
	ingle Measurement ot exceed 1 NTU	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%)	Violation	Major Sources in Drinking Water		
	0.25 NTU	100%	no	Soil Runoff		

2022 Special Monitori	ng					
Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Detected	Source of Contamination
Sodium	7/12/2022	ppm	n/a	n/a	5.6	Erosion of natural deposits

Regulated Contaminant	Treatment Technique	Typical Source of Contaminant
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)	The Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal ratio is calculated as the ratio between the actual TOC removal and the TOC removal requirements. The TOC was measured each quarter and because the level was low, there is no requirement for TOC removal.	Erosion of natural deposits

These tables are based on tests conducted by GLWA in the year 2022 or the most recent testing done within the last five calendar years. GLWA conducts tests throughout the year only tests that show the presence of a substance or require special monitoring are presented in these tables. The State allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. The data is representative of the water quality, but some are more than one year old.







ABOUT UNREGULATED CONTAMINANT MONITORING

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YOUR TAP WATER MEETS OR SURPASSES ALL FEDERAL AND STATE STANDARDS FOR WATER QUALITY

2022 Springwells Tap Water Mineral Analysis

Parameter	Units	Max.	Min.	Avg.
Turbidity	NTU	0.08	0.02	0.04
Total Solids	ppm	166	114	141
Total Dissolved Solids	ppm	169	105	134
Aluminum	ppm	0.071	0.014	0.030
Iron	ppm	0.5	0.2	0.3
Copper	ppm	0.002	ND	0.000
Magnesium	ppm	8.5	7.3	7.7
Calcium	ppm	28.0	24.9	26.2
Sodium	ppm	7.1	4.9	5.3
Potassium	ppm	1.1	0.9	1.0
Manganese	ppm	0.001	ND	0.000
Lead	ppm	0.001	ND	0.000
Zinc	ppm	0.004	ND	0.001
Silica	ppm	2.7	1.6	2.1
Sulfate	ppm	32.1	21.7	27.5
Chloride	ppm	15.0	8.3	10.7

Parameter	Units	Max.	Min.	Avg.
Phosphorus	ppm	0.87	0.42	0.53
Free Carbon Dioxide	ppm	13.6	6.5	10.1
Total Hardness	ppm	112	76	92
Total Alkalinity	ppm	86	70	75
Carbonate Alkalinity	ppm	ND	ND	ND
Bi-Carbonate Alkalinity	ppm	86	70	75
Non-Carbonate Hardness	ppm	42	2	17
Chemical Oxygen Demand	ppm	12.0	ND	3.9
Dissolved Oxygen	ppm	16.5	3.4	11.2
Nitrite Nitrogen	ppm	ND	ND	ND
Nitrate Nitrogen	ppm	0.55	0.26	0.36
Fluoride	ppm	0.77	0.51	0.58
рН		7.33	7.06	7.18
Specific Conductance @ 25 °C.	μmhos	238	166	215
Temperature	°C	23.9	2.0	13.0

KEY TO THE DETECTED CONTAMINANTS TABLE

SYMBOL	ABBREVIATION	DEFINITION/EXPLANATION
AL	Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
°C	Celsius	A scale of temperature in which water freezes at 0° and boils at 100° under standard conditions.
>	Greater than	
HAA5	Haloacetic Acids	HAA5 is the total of bromoacetic, chloroacetic, dibromoacetic, dichloroacetic, and trichloroacetic acids. Compliance is based on the total.
Level 1	Level 1 Assessment	A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
LRAA	Locational Running Annual Average	The average of analytical results for samples at a particular monitoring location during the previous four quarters.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow a margin of safety.
MRDL	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level	The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not re ect the bene ts of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
n/a	not applicable	
ND	Not Detected	
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units	Measures the cloudiness of water.
pCi/L	Picocuries Per Liter	A measure of radioactivity
ppb	Parts Per Billion (one in one billion)	The ppb is equivalent to micrograms per liter. A microgram = 1/1000 milligram.
ppm	Parts Per Million (one in one million)	The ppm is equivalent to milligrams per liter. A milligram = 1/1000 gram.
RAA	Running Annual Average	The average of all analytical results for all samples during the previous four quarters.
SMCL	Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level	
TT	Treatment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
TTHM	Total Trihalomethanes	Total Trihalomethanes is the sum of chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibro moochloromethane and bromoform. Compliance is based on the total.
umhos	Micromhos	Measure of electrical conductance of water

Public Works Department

The Public Works Department is able to assist residents with questions about the quality of their water. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Utility Billing Department

The Utility Department assists residents with utility billing and payment issues. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday and every other Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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THANK YOU

The Recreation Department would like to thank our gracious sponsors that made our Winterfest an event to remember! Their support and participation is deeply appreciated, and without their financial support family events like this one would not be possible. Please stop in and say "thank you" to our sponsors the next time you are in the area: RealTeam Real Estate, Scotia Stop, Dog and Pony Brewing Company, Dunkin Donuts, Greenfield location in Oak Park, Alaska Fresh Fish & Chicken and SMART. Thank you to Rolston Hockey for making sure the rink was in tip top shape and had more than enough skates to go around.

Girl Scout Troop 77555, The Oak Park Library, the Arts Cultural Diversity Commission, and Parks and Recreation Commission members Alexander

Simpson and Juanita Bell, the South Oakland Kiwanis Club, Lisa Banks, Sheryl Stevenson, Greg Smith, Jean Jones and Topp Dogg Inc. all also deserve a big THANK YOU for their help and support of Winterfest.

The Oak Park Daddy Daughter Dance was another successful event. For such success thanks are owed to: Grace Raddon, Jean Jones, Ashley Gomillion and the youth of "Build On", and Parks and Recreation Commissioner members Alexander Simpson, Juanita Bell and Carion Warren and Joyful Tot's Childcare and Learning Center of Oak Park.

Also thank you to Dick's Sporting Goods for their sponsorship for our Youth Sports Leagues.

