

# Oak Park Historical Society

## Did you know?

Oak Park became a village on May 3, 1927  
Charles Raine was the first Village President  
On October 29, 1945, Oak Park became a city

## Do you know our mayors and terms of office? (alphabetic list)

Joseph Forbes  
Gerald Kent  
John Malloy  
Richard Marshall  
Marian McClellan  
Gerald Naftaly  
Charlotte Rothstein  
David Shepherd

Join us! We meet the third Sunday of the month at the Oak Park Library at 2:00 pm. (August 28, September 18, October 16)

Come and share your memories and help collect personal histories of living in Oak Park.

We want to inventory and organize many city materials stored in the Oak Park Library – newspaper articles, photographs, old city publications, and many other items. There are many boxes and file cabinets of Oak Park memories.

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Do you remember these notable Oak Parkers? Do you remember others?

Norm Cash, Detroit Tiger

Al Kaline, Detroit Tiger

Geoffrey Fieger, Lawyer and candidate for governor

Les Gold, star of TV show *Hardcore Pawn*

Insane Clown Posse members Joseph Bruce & Joseph Utsler met in Oak Park

Jeffrey Seller, Broadway producer & Tony Award winner

Was (Not Was) – David Weiss and Don Fagenson met and grew up in Oak Park

Peter Werbe, Radio host & DJ

## Some Oak Park questions to ponder

How long have you lived in Oak Park? When did you move to Oak Park? What was your age? Why did you or your parents move to Oak Park? Where did you move from?

Do other Family members live in Oak Park or nearby? How far away are other family members?

Did you attend school in Oak Park? (Oak Park, Berkley, Ferndale, private or religious school) What grades did you attend? Are your children in school in Oak Park?

What religious organizations do/did you belong to and/or attend services? in Oak Park?

What local community groups do/did you belong to in and around Oak Park?

Where stores do you patronize? Grocery, drug store, bakery, pet store, hardware, garden shop, tobacco, clothing, restaurants and take-outs.

Did/do you work in Oak Park? How far away is/was your job from Oak Park?

Special memories growing up in Oak Park? Special events you remember since you have been in Oak Park? Do you have pictures to share?

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