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Message From City Manager Erik Tungate

BUILDING WHAT'S NEXT: OAK PARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER

Dear Oak Park Residents, As we welcome the winter season and prepare for a new year, I am proud to reflect on the incredible momentum taking place throughout our community. Over the past year, Oak Park has reached several milestones that are already transforming how residents connect, recreate, and experience our city.

This summer marked the successful completion of **Phase 1 of Elevate Oak Park**, highlighted by the opening of the new **Event Hub and Band Shell**, along with the remarkable transformation of **Oak Park Woods at Shepherd Park**. We also continued to see exciting growth along the **11 Mile corridor**, where new gathering spaces, public art, local businesses, and community-focused investments have helped create a vibrant destination unlike anything Oak Park has seen before. These projects represent years of planning, collaboration, and investment, and they are already bringing people together in meaningful ways.

While we are proud of what has been accomplished, our attention is increasingly focused on what's next.

The next chapter of Elevate Oak Park centers on what will become one of the most significant community investments in our city's history: the new **Oak Park Community Center**.

This fall, the project reached an important milestone with site plan approval and advancement into the final design phase. The project remains on budget and on schedule, with bidding anticipated this winter and construction expected to begin in Spring 2027.

One of the most rewarding aspects of this process has been the level of resident engagement. Through

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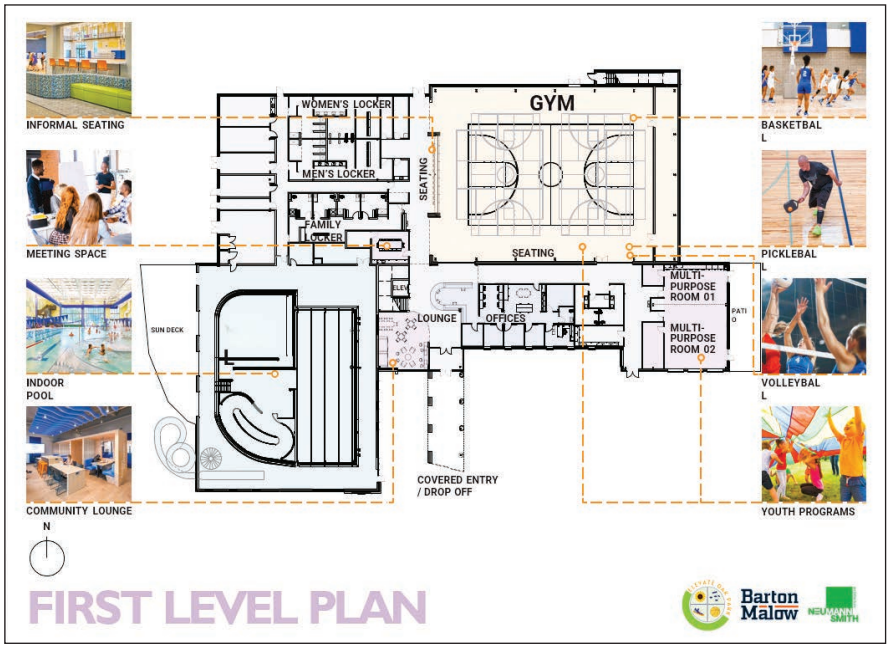


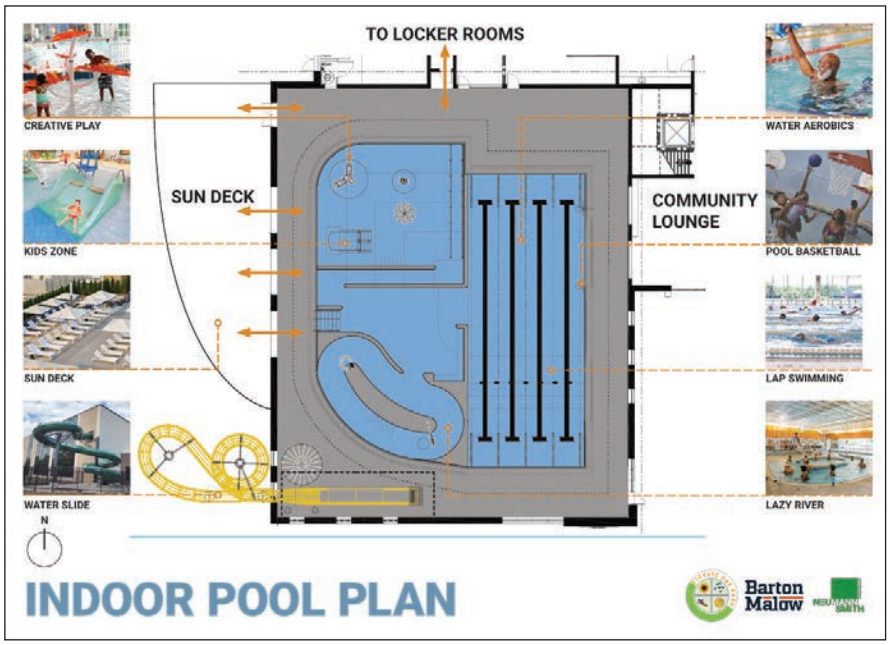
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public meetings, open houses, and ongoing feedback opportunities, residents have helped shape the facility's design every step of the way.

Most recently, the City hosted another Community Center Open House in May, providing residents an opportunity to review updated plans, ask questions, and share feedback directly with the design team. The event generated strong participation and meaningful dialogue, adding to the extensive public engagement conducted throughout the planning process. Combined with survey responses, online engagement tools, social media outreach, stakeholder meetings, and previous public open houses, residents have provided valuable insight into what they want their future Community Center to offer. Consistent themes emerged throughout the engagement process, including expanded aquatic amenities, flexible recreation spaces, family-friendly programming, accessible facilities, and strong connections between indoor and outdoor recreation opportunities. City staff and the design team carefully evaluated this feedback and, whenever feasible, incorporated resident priorities while maintaining fiscal responsibility. The result is a project that reflects the community's vision and demonstrates the City's commitment to being responsive, transparent, and thoughtful stewards of taxpayer investment.





As a direct result of that feedback, the design team recently incorporated a new indoor-outdoor recreation concept featuring roll-up garage-style doors connecting the aquatic center to an outdoor sun deck. This enhancement preserves year-round indoor swimming opportunities while creating a seamless connection to outdoor recreation during warmer months. The space will also increase flexibility for special events, rentals, community gatherings, and family activities. Most importantly, these improvements were incorporated while maintaining the approved project budget.

When completed, the nearly 50,000-square-foot facility will offer opportunities for recreation, wellness, learning, and community connection for residents of all ages. Planned amenities include an indoor aquatic center with lap swimming, leisure swim areas, a lazy river, and a signature waterslide; a multi-sport gymnasium for basketball, volleyball, pickleball, leagues, and tournaments; an elevated indoor walking track; fitness and exercise spaces; flexible multi-purpose rooms; community gathering areas; and family-friendly locker facilities designed with accessibility and inclusivity in mind.

The project has also been carefully designed to strengthen connections throughout our civic campus. New pedestrian pathways will link the Community Center with the Event Hub, Band Shell, Library, and Shepherd Park, creating a connected destination where residents can easily move between recreation, community events, outdoor spaces, and wellness opportunities. The site plan also preserves space for future amenities and expansion as community needs continue to evolve.

For a city Oak Park's size, this project is truly transformational. It represents much more than a building. It is an investment in community health, lifelong recreation, social connection, and the quality of life that residents expect and deserve.

As we move into 2027, our focus shifts from planning to building. Thanks to the vision of our residents, City Council, staff, and community partners, Oak Park is continuing to create amenities that will benefit generations to come.

Thank you for your continued support, engagement, and belief in the future of our city. Together, we are building an Oak Park that is more connected, vibrant, and welcoming than ever before.

Sincerely,

Erik Tungate, City Manager

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PACKAGE 1	PACKAGE 2	PACKAGE 3	PACKAGE 4
10 hours/month	20 hours/month	30 hours/month	40 hours/month
$250/month	$400/month	$600/month	$700/month
Additional Hours: $25/hour	Additional Hours: $22/hour	Additional Hours: $20/hour	Additional Hours: $18/hour

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Snow Emergencies

For more information about Snow Emergencies, please contact the Department of Public Works at (248) 691-7497.

When is a Snow Emergency Declared?

A snow emergency is declared when four or more inches of snow falls or other hazardous conditions necessitate. When a snow emergency is declared, parking is not permitted on City streets until the snow emergency has been lifted. This allows for the Department of Public Works to efficiently clear the roadways.

What Should You Do During a Snow Emergency?

Until the Snow Emergency has been lifted by City Manager Erik Tungate, all vehicles must be removed from curbside and parked off street. The City has eight areas within the City designated for overflow parking, they are:

- Eleven Mile Off-Street Parking Lots
- Victoria Park Parking Lots
- Shepherd Park Parking Lots
- City Complex Parking Lots
- Best Park Parking Lot
- Key Park Parking Lot
- Lessenger Park Parking Lot
- Dewey Park Parking Lot

For a map of available snow emergency parking locations within Oak Park, visit **http://bit.ly/OPSnowEmergencyMap.**

How Will You Know When a Snow Emergency Has Been Declared?

As a general rule, if a significant snow event is anticipated, City Manager Erik Tungate will proactively declare a Snow Emergency in advance to allow residents to properly prepare.

There are several ways in which residents can become informed of a Snow Emergency, they include:

- **Website:** Log onto the City's website at **www.oakparkmi.gov.** An alert will scroll across the top of the screen for the duration of the event.



- The City of Oak Park upgraded to **CivicPlus®** Mass Notification beginning Nov. 1, to deliver important information to our residents quickly and reliably. These can be in the form of text messages, email alerts or phone calls.
  - —If you are already receiving Oak Park emergency alerts, you don't need to re-enroll. Your existing account has been transferred to the new system.
  - —Visit our emergency alerts page, at https://www.oakparkmi.gov/emergency-alerts, to sign up to receive alerts or to review and customize your existing alert preferences.
  - —You can also text OakParkMI to 38276 or download the free myAlerts mobile app.
- **Social Media Posts:** Follow us on the City's Facebook or Twitter accounts **@CityOfOakPark.**
- **Cable TV Stations:** Tune into the City's Comcast Cable TV15 and 16.
- **Local TV Stations:** The City notifies the following local television stations of snow emergencies: ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox2Detroit.
- **Local Radio Stations:** The City notifies the following local radio stations of snow emergencies: WWJ and WJR.

How is Snow Removal Prioritized?

During snow emergencies the Department of Public Works prioritizes the roadways. In general, the City crews treat and plow roadways in the following order:

- **Primary Roadways:** Primary routes are the first priority for plowing and de-icing. Primary routes include major streets, snow emergency routes, around schools and around medical facilities. These roadways include the I-696 service drives, Greenfield, Coolidge, Eleven Mile Road, and Nine Mile Road.
- **Secondary Roadways:** Secondary routes are main and heavily traveled thoroughfares. These include streets like Oak Park Boulevard, Scotia, Rosewood, Church, Capital, Lincoln, and Northfield.
- **Residential Intersections:** Tertiary priority is made to residential intersections so that vehicles can properly stop and proceed safely at intersecting roadways. Residential roadways are plowed when appropriate, typically when four or more inches of snow is present or other circumstances necessitate.



WHAT ARE THE CITY'S SNOW REMOVAL REQUIREMENTS?

The following are snow removal provisions contained in Chapter 66 Section 166-167 of the Code of Ordinances:

- Snow and ice must be removed from all sidewalks.
- Snow and ice must be removed within 12 hours when it stops snowing during daylight hours.
- Snow and ice must be removed by 6:00 pm the next day when it stops snowing during night time.
- It is considered a public nuisance to allow ice and snow to accumulate on sidewalks.
- Failure to remove snow and/or ice from all sidewalks within the time frames above may result in citations being issued or City removal at the homeowner's expense.

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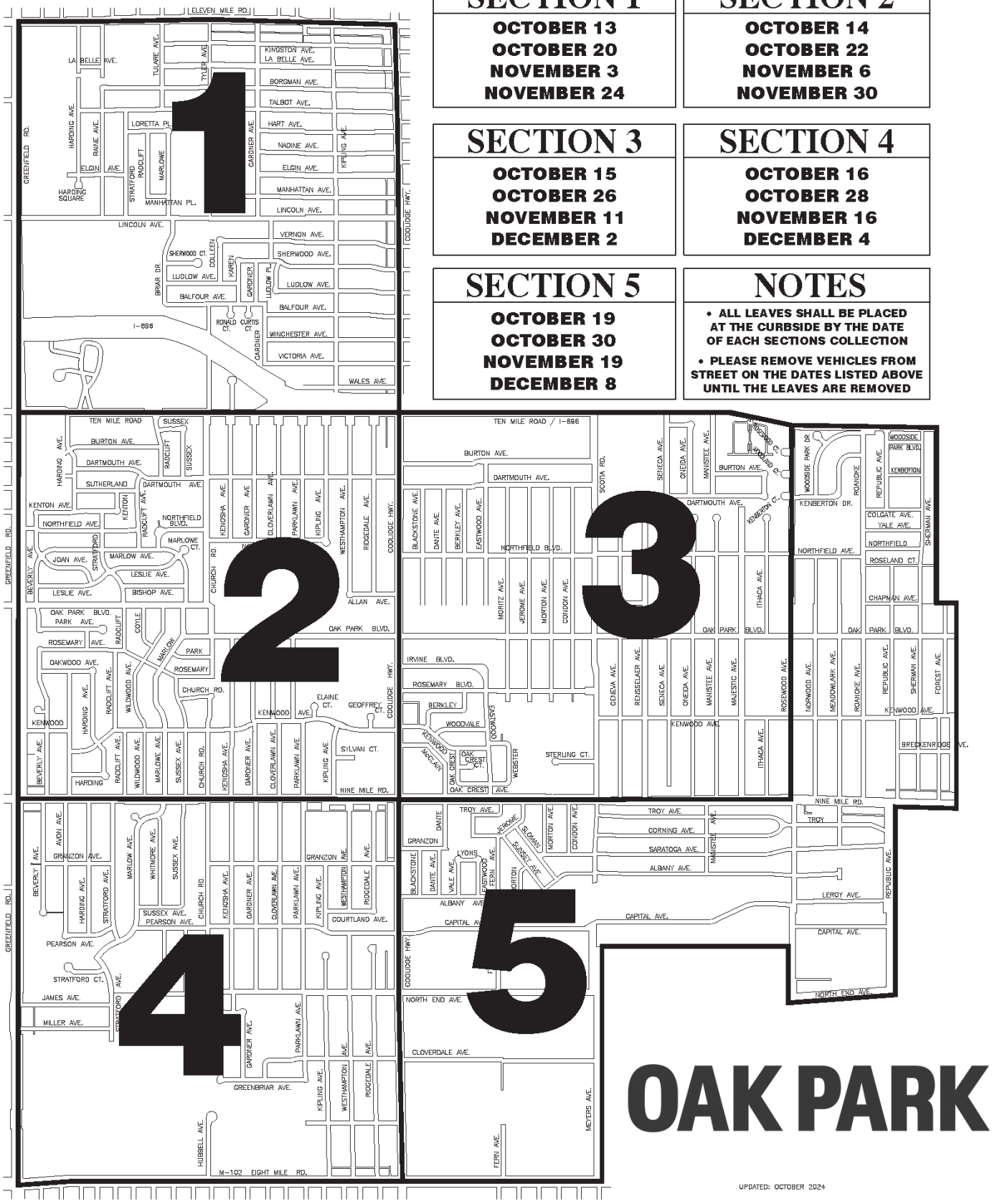




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Sunday, Jan. 31 ❄ 1 to 4 p.m.
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2026 LEAF COLLECTION DATES



SECTION 1	SECTION 2
OCTOBER 13	OCTOBER 14
OCTOBER 20	OCTOBER 22
NOVEMBER 3	NOVEMBER 6
NOVEMBER 24	NOVEMBER 30

SECTION 3	SECTION 4
OCTOBER 15	OCTOBER 16
OCTOBER 26	OCTOBER 28
NOVEMBER 11	NOVEMBER 16
DECEMBER 2	DECEMBER 4

SECTION 5	NOTES
OCTOBER 19	• ALL LEAVES SHALL BE PLACED AT THE CURBSIDE BY THE DATE OF EACH SECTIONS COLLECTION
OCTOBER 30	• PLEASE REMOVE VEHICLES FROM STREET ON THE DATES LISTED ABOVE UNTIL THE LEAVES ARE REMOVED
NOVEMBER 19	
DECEMBER 8	

OAK PARK

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DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

2027

Sunday, Feb. 7 | 4 -6 p.m.

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INCLEMENT WEATHER DATE: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28 | 1-3 P.M.







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HOURS:
Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday Closed, Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.

Kimberly Schaaf, Director
@ Oak Park Library
@ oakparkmilibrary

FOR EVERYONE

COMPLIMENT CARDS
Sunday, November 8 | 1-4 p.m.
Ages 6+

Help us spread some love in our community on World Kindness Day (11/13/26)! Make a compliment card for someone in your life or for the library to hand out to our home delivery recipients. Examples will be provided. This is a fun and creative way to upcycle and make a positive difference in someone's day. **This is a drop-in program, registration not required. While supplies last.** *Sponsored by the Oak Park Recycling and Environmental Conservation Commission.*

LIVE CONCERT WITH VOCALIST LYNN FEINBERG
Sunday, November 15 | 2 p.m.

Enjoy the musical talents of Metro Detroit native, Lynn Feinberg, during this free concert! Tunes from the American songbook and other well know classics will fill the center of the library, offering a mix of timeless standards and contemporary hits. **Registration required.**

DISGUISE A SNOWBALL
Pick up starts Sunday, November 22
Return by Sunday, December 6
All Ages

Last year, we put potatoes in costumes. This year, we're disguising snowballs. Pick up your snowball starting Sunday, November 22nd, while supplies last. Use your imagination and choice of materials to disguise your snowball before returning it to the library. **Stop by the library between December 13th–January 10th to vote for your favorites in each age category.** Winners will be announced in mid-January.

PUZZLE CONTEST
Sunday, January 10 | 2 p.m.

Our jigsaw puzzle contest is back! Teams of up to four people are invited to sign up to try to be the first to complete a 500-piece puzzle or the team with the least amount of pieces left when time is up. Two winners will be awarded a prize: the first all-adult team and the first multi-age team. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Oak Park Library.* **Registration required, one registration per team.**

MOTOWN PIANO CONCERT
Sunday, January 24 | 2 p.m.

Join pianist David Rodgers for a trip through the 1960s sounds of Detroit. Featuring solo piano performances of hits by Smokey Robinson, the Supremes, the Temptations, Stevie Wonder, Marvin Gaye, and many more, Rodgers will offer historical background info and stories behind the songs, musical trivia, and a question and answer session. **Registration required.**





BLACK HISTORY MONTH: ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

Wednesdays in February | 11 a.m.-1 p.m. OR 6-8 p.m.

Do you have a story about Back History you'd like to share with the community? During the entire month of February, we will be collecting oral histories related to Oak Park and Black History. Oral history is the practice of documenting people's personal experiences and memories, through either written or video formats, to record diverse perspectives from the past. For this project, we will be recording stories through both video and audio and will share them with the community on our website and social media channels, with a special compilation viewing during Juneteenth. **Registration required.**

FOR TEENS

PAYING FOR COLLEGE & COMPLETING THE FAFSA

Tuesday, November 10 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Caregivers w/11th and 12th graders

College is expensive and navigating all the required paperwork can be complicated. We've invited a Financial Aid Advisor from Oakland University to talk you through different options for paying for college, including how to complete the Free Application for Federal Aid (FAFSA). *This program is for caregivers and/or juniors and seniors who plan to attend any college or university*. **Registration required.**

SUPER-SHORT FILMMAKING

Tuesday, November 24 | 6-7:30 p.m. | Ages 12-18

This program turns social media use into an opportunity to strengthen creative writing and critical thinking skills. Reels, shorts, and TikToks are really just tiny stories, and you don't need expensive equipment to tell a good story—all you need is a good idea and a reason for people to keep watching. Writer/director Lauren Horne, past president of the U of M Black Film Society, will lead this free class for teens. **Space is limited, registration is required.**

MAKE TIME

Monday, December 14 | 4-5 p.m. | DIY Mugs
Monday, January 11 | 4-5 p.m. | Journals/Sketchbooks
Ages 12-18

This program series allows middle and high-school students to relax and get creative after a long day at school. Monthly activities include easy crafts that provide opportunities for self-expression and chill vibes. **Drop-in program, registration not required. While supplies last.**

FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

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The concept is simple, but the rewards are priceless. The goal is to read 1,000 books before your child starts kindergarten. Read a book (any book) to your newborn, infant, or toddler. Yes, repeat books count! Sign up at the library, then check-in as you reach each 100-book milestone. Earn small prizes along the way and a big prize when you've read 1,000 books – a free 12-month subscription to Highlights, High Five, or Hello magazine for your child! *Magazine subscriptions sponsored by VIBE Credit Union and available while supplies last. Subscriptions limited to one per family, per year.* **Stop in any time to get signed up!**

Thank You

Friends of the Library for sponsoring the puzzle contest.

Savvy Sliders (Oak Park) for sponsoring our CASA Book Club snacks.

F&M Bank (Troy) for sponsoring our CASA Book Club books.

Silvio Benvenuti: donation for youth books.

Ken Sherman: donation for youth and adult books.

Mayor McClellan for sponsoring the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program.

Oak Park Recycling and Environmental Conservation Commission for sponsoring the Compliment Cards program.

If you're interested in making a monetary or in-kind donation to the library, please contact our director at 248-691-7480.



OP KID COLLECTORS
Ongoing | Ages 5-17
Does your child have a collection they're proud of? We want to share it with the community! Oak Park kids are invited to have their collection showcased at the library. Caregivers will drop off and pick up the collection on dates agreed upon with the Youth Services Librarian. We'll display the collection for a week or two in the Children's area for all to admire! **Apply using the link on the calendar on our website (listed on the 1st of every month), on our social media, or in the library at the Help Desk.**

TODDLER STORYTIME
Thursdays, November 5-January 28 | 10:15 a.m. | Ages 0-3
This interactive program is designed for little ones to engage with stories through songs, rhymes, and movement. It's the perfect way to help toddlers develop important skills while having a blast! Older siblings are welcome to attend. **This is a drop-in program, registration not required.**

BALLERINA STORYTIME
Thursday, November 5 | 6:30-7:30 p.m. | Ages 2-7
This special storytime will feature student dancers from The Institution of Dance Arts, a local non-competitive dance studio. Kids will listen to a story, watch the ballerinas do a short demonstration, and learn how to do a few basic moves. Attendees will take home supplies to create a simple DIY tutu. **Space is limited, registration required.**

LEGO CLUB
Mondays, November 16 & January 25 | 6-7 p.m. | Ages 6-11
LEGO lovers are invited to this program to build, socialize, and have fun. Library LEGO will be provided and kids' creations will be displayed in the library after the program. **Space is limited, registration required.**

TAKE & MAKE: BABY-SITTERS CLUB KIT
Wednesday, December 16 | Ages 10-14
Join the BSC! Pick up a kit and get welcome letters from the founding members, booklists, advice on starting your own babysitting business, games, activities, and a tote bag to create your own Kid Kit. **One per person, while supplies last. Patron age 10-14 must be present to pick up.**

NOON YEAR'S EVE
Wednesday, December 30 | 11:15 a.m.-12 p.m. | Ages 1-5
We're throwing a little NYE bash between naptime and lunch! We'll read, dance, craft, and count down—all before noon. Come ready to ring in the new year, toddler- and pre-school-style, the day before New Year's Eve. **This is a drop-in program, registration not required. While supplies last.**

FAMILY FORT NIGHT
Friday, January 29 | 6-7 pm
Families w/kids 11 & Under
An after-hours family reading night where you build a fort inside the library. Find some good books in the stacks, get cozy in your fort, and read! Fort-building supplies and snacks will be provided. **Space is limited, registration required.**

FOR ADULTS

FINANCIAL WELLNESS WORKSHOP
Tuesday, December 1 | 6 p.m.
Financial wellness begins with understanding where you are today and taking simple, practical steps toward where you want to be. This interactive workshop, put on by Oak Park resident and financial business expert, Jacquline Jones, introduces participants to the four essential building blocks of financial wellness—Knowledge, Organization, Confidence, and Growth—and provides practical strategies to help reduce financial stress, make informed financial decisions, and build a stronger financial future. Through engaging discussion, self-reflection, and real-life examples, participants will gain a clearer understanding of their current financial picture and leave with practical action steps they can begin using immediately. **Registration required.**

PAPER CRAFTING CLUB – TAKE AND MAKE
First Tuesday of the Month
Are you a paper crafter who enjoys collage making or junk journaling? Join our paper crafting club and pick up a kit each on the first Tuesday of each month filled will paper goodies for your next crafting adventure! **Kits are available at the Help Desk while supplies last. One per person.**

OPEN SEWING
Third Tuesday of the Month | 6-7:30 p.m. | Ages 16+ only
November 17, December 15, January 19
Have a sewing machine, but don't know where to start? Bring it to our open sewing events and we'll help! Don't have a machine, but want to try one out? We'll have a limited number of machines for patrons to use on a first come, first serve basis. This program is designed for patrons ages 16 and older to bring their own sewing machine and supplies to the library to connect with other sewists and get assistance from library staff. **This is a drop-in event, no registration required.**

VISION BOARDS
Tuesday, January 5 | 6 p.m.
Create a collage of your dreams, intentions, and goals for 2027! Vision boards are a great visual inspiration tool for the year ahead. All supplies provided. **This is a drop-in event, no registration required.**

CHOPPED: CRAFT EDITION
Pick up starts Thursday, January 28
Return by Monday, February 8
Voting Tuesday, February 9 through Sunday, February 14
What would you create with a bag of mystery craft items? This winter, you can put your crafting and artistic skills to the test! Just like the cooking show, patrons will receive a mystery basket with four different craft supplies to use in your project. Your creation will be displayed in the library. Vote on your favorite creation in-person and via social media to crown a winner on February 15! **While supplies last, one per person.**

AFTERNOON TEA
Second Tuesday of the Month | 2-3 p.m.
Enjoy a hot cup of tea and casual conversation with your neighbors! We'll have tea and light refreshments available. **This is a drop-in event, no registration required.**



NEEDLEWORK NEIGHBORS
Second Thursday of the Month | 6:30 p.m.
November 12, December 10 & January 14

Fourth Thursday of the Month | 2 p.m.
November 19, December 17 & January 21

Spend time working on your project with other needlework enthusiasts and enjoy the company of others! We've expanded this program to offer more needlework equipment and added a second meeting in the afternoon for folks who don't like to travel at night. Yarn will also be available to make items for our upcoming community closet, supplying a selection of hats, scarves, and more for those in need. All levels welcome. Light assistance available. *This program is sponsored in part by Molina Healthcare of Michigan.* **This is a drop-in event, no registration required.**

CRAFT NIGHT
Tuesday | 6 p.m. | November 24, December 22 & January 26

Connect with other crafters while we make a new project each month. All supplies provided. Watch our social media pages to see project reveals. **Registration required.**

SWIPE RIGHT: A ROMANCE BOOK CLUB
Fourth Wednesday of the Month | 6:30 p.m.
November 18, December 16 & January 27

Join us at Mother Handsome in Oak Park to discuss the romance book of the month. Copies of the selected book will be available at the checkout desk one month prior to our meeting. Copies are also available on Libby. **Registration suggested, drop ins welcome.**

OAK PARK BOOK CLUB
First Wednesday of the Month | 6 p.m.

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

TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE BY APPOINTMENT
30 minute sessions | FREE

Looking for help with your smartphone, tablet, or laptop? Make an appointment where you'll receive personalized instruction tailored to your needs. **Call 248-691-7480, ext. 3 to make an appointment. One appointment per 30 days.**





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.

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 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Closed 1 to 2 p.m.)
Open every other Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Nov. 6, 20, Dec. 4, 18, and Jan. 15, 18
Closed Holidays: Nov. 25-27, Dec. 23-25 & 31, and Jan. 1, 18

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.





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THE MISSION OF THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT IS TO ENRICH THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY WHILE ESTABLISHING A HIGH STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE IN OUR PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES, PARKS AND SERVICES.

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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®

BASIC HATHA YOGA

Thursday from 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Ages 50 and up | $40 Resident/$45 Non-Resident | 8 weeks
There must be a minimum of five participants for the 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: HathaNov26 – Nov. 12-Dec. 17
(5 week class: $25 Resident/$30 Non-Resident
Course: HathaJan27 – Jan. 14-Mar. 4

GENTLE CHAIR YOGA

Monday OR Thursday from 9-10 a.m.
Ages 50 and up | $29 Resident/$34 Non-Resident | 8 weeks
There must be a minimum of five participants for this class to run. Gentle Chair Yoga provides gentle therapeutic yoga exercise while reducing stress on joints and muscles. Instructor: Rachel Ekert

Course: Gentle ChairMonJan27 – Jan. 4-Mar. 1
Course: Gentle ChairThursJan27 – Jan. 7-Feb. 25

TAI CHI FOR BEGINNERS

Tuesday, from 10-10:45 a.m.
Ages 18 and up | $82 Resident/$87 Non-Resident | 12 weeks
This newly redesigned class will get all participants through the entire curriculum to transfer more quickly into the next level. The fee still works out to $7/class. 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: TaiChiBegJan27 – Jan 5-Mar. 30

TAI CHI FOR RETURNING STUDENTS

Tuesday, from 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
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: TaiChiRetJan27 – Jan. 5-Feb. 23





SENIORS IN MOTION

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9-10 a.m.
Ages: 50 and up | $40 Resident/$45 Non-Resident | 16 classes
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 proven to be 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: SeniorsJan27 – Jan. 5-Feb. 23

STRETCH IT OUT

Tuesdays OR Thursdays, 10:15-11 a.m.
Ages 50 and up | $35 Resident/$40 Non-Resident | 8 weeks
Stretch It Out is a low impact, low intensity workout that will tone your muscles, increase your range of motion and flexibility, and help you relieve stress. While working through a series of stretching and toning exercises, participants will also 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. Instructor: Rachel Ekert

Course: StretchTuesJan27 – Jan. 5-Feb. 23
Course: StretchThursJan27 – Jan. 7-Feb. 25



YOGA IS FOR EVERY BODY

Mondays from 7:15-8:45 p.m.
$56 Resident/$61 Non-Resident | Ages: 18 and up | 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: Lynne Cottrill.

Course: YogaEveryBodyNov26 – Nov. 16-Dec. 14
Course: YogaEveryBodyJan27 – Jan. 11-Mar. 8 *(no class 1/18)*

HUSTLE CLASS BEGINNERS

Wednesdays from 7:30-8:45 p.m.
$40 Resident/$45 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

This class is tailored for individuals with little to no experience in Hustle dancing. Participants will learn to combine two or three dance steps in a repeating sequence to the rhythm of music, completing at least three different hustle dances each class meeting. Instructor: Maurice Adams

Course: BegHustleJan 27 – Jan. 13- Mar. 3

HUSTLE CLASS INTERMEDIATE

Wednesdays from 6-7:30 p.m.
$40 Resident/$45 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

This class is designed for individuals with prior experience in Hustle dancing and a solid understanding of basic Hustle steps. Participants will focus on mastering the coordination of 5-8 different dance steps in a repeating sequence, set to popular music styles such a rhythm and blues, jazz, country and music featuring elements of mild rap. Instructor: Maurice Adams

Course: InterMedHustleJan 27 – Jan.12- Mar. 3

ZUMBA FOR ALL

Tuesdays from 6-7 p.m.
$40 Resident/$45 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

Forget your 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: ZumbaJan27 – Jan. 5-Feb. 23

ZUMBA GOLD (Evening Session)

Thursdays from 6-7 p.m.
$48 Resident/$55 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 Carter

Course: ZumbaJan27 – Jan.7-Feb. 23

MAT PILATES FUSION

Mondays from 7-8 p.m.
$75 Resident/$80 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

Traditional pilates elements (exercises) with blending other disciplines: yoga, strength training, barre and possible ballet moves. The class aims to provide a diverse and total body workout experience while focusing on core strength. Bring a non-slip exercise mat, water bottle and a towel. Instructor: Darlene Cheatom

Course: MatPilatesJan27 – Jan. 4-Mar. 1



BALLROOM DANCE BEGINNERS

Fridays from 6-7:15 p.m.
$40 Resident/$45 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

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

Course: BallroomBegJan27 – Jan. 15-Mar. 5

BALLROOM DANCE ADVANCED

Friday from 7:30-9 p.m.
$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 alone. Instructor: Maurice Adams

Course: BallroomAdvJan27 – Jan. 15-Mar. 5



FUNCTIONAL STRENGTH

Mondays OR Wednesdays from 6:30-7:15 p.m.
$35 Resident/$40 Non-Resident | 8 weeks

Combining bodyweight exercise and a few simple pieces of equipment, you will gain strength for better mobility and endurance. The instructor of will lead you in a wide variety of muscle-strengthening moves, including core and balance. Please bring a set of dumbbells 5 lbs or less and a mat. Instructor: Rachel Ekert

Course: FunctionalJan27 – Jan. 6-Feb. 24
Course: FunctionalMonJan27 – Jan. 4-Mar. 1 *(no class 1/18)*





WINTERFEST 2027

The highlight of the winter months is the Annual Oak Park Winterfest! The afternoon holds all of our favorites: steamy hot chili, donuts, and hot chocolate. Huddle around the fire to make S'Mores. Be amazed at how two 400-pound blocks of ice are transformed into beautiful sculptures. Climb aboard the horse drawn wagon for a ride through our park and stop to feed the reindeer. Face painting and make and take crafts round out the afternoon. Sponsorships are available, call 248-691-7555 for complete details.

Sunday January 31 | 1-4 p.m.
Community Center Grounds



DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

Dinner, Dance, Flowers and Keepsake Photo. RSVP now! This event sells out very quickly, attendees must register and pay in advance through the Recreation Office. ***No tickets sold at the door the day of the event**.

Sunday, Feb. 7 | 4-6 p.m.
Resident: $45/couple ($15/each additional child)
Non-Resident: $50/couple ($15/each additional child)

HAIR BRAIDING

Come join Angel Hunter of "The Braid Standard" and learn how to hair braid! This exciting course will teach the youth proper techniques, twists, and knots!

Tuesday, November 10, 17, Dec. 1, 8 | 5-6 p.m. | 4 weeks
Ages 10-13 | $40 Resident/$45 Non-Resident

S'MORES N' MORE

Embrace the final stretch of winter at the **FREE** "S'mores N' More!" Join the Oak Park Recreation Department at the Oak Park Community Center Grounds for a warm, cozy afternoon. Roast a s'more over the fire and have fun with a kid friendly winter-themed craft. Limited quantities! This event is not one you want to miss!

Oak Park Community Center Grounds
Sunday, Feb. 21 | 1-3 p.m.
Inclement Weather Date: Sunday, Feb. 28 | 1-3 p.m.



OAK PARK & BARK DOG PARK

21950 Scotia Rd, Oak Park, MI, 48237
$40/Residents, $65/Non-Residents | $10 per additional dog

Oak Park & Bark is open to residents & non-residents! Whether your four-legged companion is making new friends or simply enjoying some off-leash freedom, there's something for every tail to wag about! With plenty of land to let your pup run free. Oak Park & Bark is sure to provide plenty of exercise for your furry friend. ***Memberships are valid for one calendar year, January 1 through December 31. Purchase your membership now to go through 2027!***

Documents needed: Dog license, Rabies vaccine, DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccine, proof of spay/neuter.





OAK PARK FARMERS MARKET

The Oak Park Farmers Market will conclude its 9th year on November 19, 2026. This was a very successful season with the addition of many new vendors! Our annual Family Market and Senior Market Days saw an increase in resource organizations and attendees.

POWER OF PRODUCE PROGRAM

Once again, the award-winning Power of Produce Program reached capacity in the tracks for both children and seniors. Participants were challenged to visit all our vendors to discover the variety of market offerings through a bingo game for prizes. Families learned about the importance of "eating the rainbow", identified the fruits and vegetables of the alphabet, and got to experience the ever-popular "take-home" recipes that encourage cooking as a fun way to spend time together. The homework encouraged the exploration of new cooking techniques and foods, working together to make and bake their own creations with ingredients available from our farmers.

BLOOD PRESSURE PROGRAM

Our Blood Pressure program was back in full force thanks to the dedicated volunteers of our nurses from Lambda Chi Chapter, Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Incorporated, as well as the sponsorship of the blood pressure monitors from Humana Inc. Once again, we reached the capacity for the program with our senior population.

SENIOR WALKING CLUB

Our local seniors were inspired to get out and getting moving by participating in our annual Senior Walking Club. After completing their weekly walking logs, seniors who came to the market received Power of Produce coins to spend on fresh fruits and vegetables.

"ROOTED IN COMMUNITY" SUMMER ART PROJECT

After the overwhelming success of last year's community quilt project, this year's project forced us to get our hands dirty. Well, really just our fingers! Our amazing drop-in watercolors group created a series of canvases depicting the trunks of trees. Market attendees of all ages then used water-based paints to press their finger and thumb prints onto the canvas to represent the leaves on those trees. Much like our Oak Park residents and visitors, each print was as unique as the person who made it.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank our generous financial sponsors, **MBeshara Printing, Humana Inc, Henry Ford Health, Dedicated Senior Medical Centers, Michigan Farmers Market Association, Westborn Market,** and **9 Mile & Greenfield Shell.**

We were very fortunate in having our In-Kind sponsors on site to provide valuable educational programs for our shoppers of all ages including the **Oakland County Health Department, National Kidney Foundation, MSUE, Healthy Oakland Partnerships, and Edible Wow magazine.**





CAPE NEDDICK, MAINE

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

Bianco Tours & Transportation

***50 Up Membership required for all senior trips: this includes theatre, day trips and lunch trips, Brunch and Learn**



A CHRISTMAS TO REMEMBER

November 29-December 3 (5 days/4 nights)
$1,450/person/double occupancy.
Featuring: Dollywood, Shadrack's Christmas Wonderland Light Tour, Downtown Gatlinburg, Biltmore Mansion & Estate, Antler Hill Village, Great Smoky Mountain Railroad "Polar Express". You'll be immersed in the story as chefs serve you hot chocolate and sweet treats while singing and dancing all the way to the North Pole! **Stop by the center to pick up complete information.*

MACKINAC ISLAND

May 29-31 (3 days/2 nights) | $1,245/person/double occupancy.
Enjoy a 3 day stay at Mackinac Island's Grant Hotel! Ferry rides, horse drawn carriages, great food, shopping, and so much more are in store on this can't miss trip! Stop by the Recreation Office for full trip details. **Stop by the center to pick up complete information.*

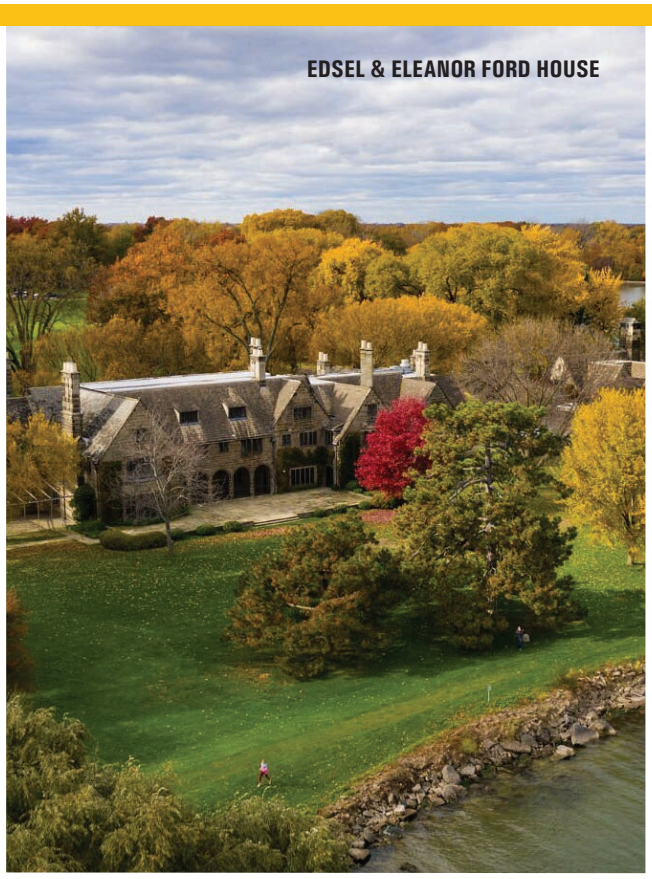
PUT-IN-BAY ON SOUTH BASS ISLAND

September 7-8 (2 days/1 night) | $285/person/double occupancy.
Long considered a boater's paradise, Put-In-Bay on South Bass Island offers many amenities that you won't believe you're not in the Florida Keys. Restaurants, live music, and history abound as you discover the wonders of this small island. **Stop by the center to pick up complete information.*

MAJESTIC MAINE

September 27-October 5 (9 days/8 nights)
$2,835/person/double occupancy.
Enjoy a beautiful tour of "Majestic Maine!" Plenty of stops, shopping and attractions on this can't miss trip. Cruises, museums, great seafood, and so much more! **Stop by the center to pick up complete information.*

The highlights of these trips are too many to list!
Stop in the lobby of the Community Center for complete details.


EDSEL & ELEANOR FORD HOUSE

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EDSEL & ELEANOR FORD HOUSE
Wednesday, December 2 | $115/person

Round trip transportation via deluxe motorcoach. A 2-hour guided tour of the Home and Garden. There will be docents throughout the Home to answer questions. A buffet lunch is also included. Stop by the Recreation Department for full details.

FIREKEEPERS
Tuesday, February 9 | $63/person

Round trip transportation via deluxe motorcoach. With over 2,680 of the latest slot and video poker games; 78 table games including blackjack, craps and roulette; a 200 seat Bingo room; a live poker room and exclusive high limit areas and VIP lounge, you'll see why FireKeepers is Battle Creek's newest gaming hotspot.

PURPLE ROSE
Wednesday, April 21 | $162/person

Come see the King of Vinyl at the Purple Rose via deluxe highway motorcoach! Who - and where - is Alvin Dye?! A late '60s Detroit R&B artist is suddenly finding the recognition he never quite knew when his near-hit song is used in a TV commercial and goes viral! Now, his two sons are at odds as they try to help their aging father handle his newfound fame. But the question looms: has his stardom come too late?

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

The Recreation Department has secured tickets for the entire 2026-2027 season. Stop by the Recreation Department for up-to-date information. **50 Up Membership is required.*

CURTAINS
Wednesday, January 27 | $90/person
Included lunch at Finnegan's Pub

From the creators of Cabaret and Chicago, Curtains is a delightful and suspenseful musical comedy that will keep audiences laughing and guessing until the very end. It's 1959 and Boston's Colonial Theatre is hosting the opening night performance of a new musical. When the leading lady mysteriously dies on stage... the entire cast and crew are suspects. Enter a local detective, who just happens to be a musical theatre fan!

POLISHING SHAKESPEARE
Wednesday, March 3 | $72/person
Included lunch at Auburn Standard

What happens when a dot-com billionaire pays an esteemed American theatre company to translate Shakespeare into English? (Wait. What?) A sly comedy inspired by an unbelievably true story. To sell out or not to sell out- is that the question?

DEATH TAKES A HOLIDAY
Wednesday, April 7 | $88/person
Included lunch at Kruse & Muer

Although "death" is in the title, the operative word is "holiday!" Based on the 1929 play and 1934 film, this beautiful and heartbreaking musical is a celebration of the limited time we spend on earth. Just after World War I, the loneliest of souls arrives at an Italian villa disguised as a handsome young prince. For the first time, Death experiences the joys and heartbreaks of life.

YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU
Wednesday, June 16 | $83/person
Included lunch at Loccino's Italian Bar

Alice Sycamore's family is a wacky group of eccentrics, building fireworks in the basement, collecting snakes, writing plays, ballet dancing and playing the xylophone. Things like stress, jobs, and paying taxes to the government are for other people, not for them! When her strait-laced fiancée's family arrive for dinner, can her family straighten up to meet the new in-laws? This madcap, idealistic comedy reinforces the idea that you can only live life to the fullest by doing whatever makes you happy.

ROLLING THUNDER
Wednesday, May 19 | $82/person
Included lunch at Kruse & Muer

Rolling Thunder captures the pulse and drama of the Vietnam War era as a tribute to heros, past and present. It is a passionate story of courage, love and resilience wrapped around rock classics including "Born To Be Wild," "Bridge Over Troubled Water," "Gimme Shelter," "People Get Ready," "Magic Carpet Ride," "The Letter," "All Along The Watchtower," and "Help Me Make It Through the Night" in a "fitting tribute to hereos, past and present."



YOUTH SOCCER

Registration opens Jan. 6
Early Registration ends Feb. 26

Games are tentatively scheduled to start on Saturday, April 17.

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 a jersey. Shin guards are not provided but must be worn at all games and practices. Practices are in Oak Park. Games are played in Ferndale.

U4 SOCCER
Fee: $50 Resident/$55 Non-Resident

U6 SOCCER
Fee: $65 Resident/$70 Non-Resident

U8 SOCCER
Fee: $70 Resident/$75 Non-Resident

U10 SOCCER
Fee: $75 Resident/$80 Non-Resident

U13 SOCCER
Fee: $75 Resident/$80 Non-Resident

YOUTH BASKETBALL

January–March
Registration ends November 20
Teams will play in the Tri-City Alliance Basketball League, competing with teams from Ferndale and Hazel Park. Games are played on Saturdays in Ferndale, with select games during the week in Hazel Park. All practices are in Oak Park. This is a co-ed basketball league focusing on skill development in a fun and safe atmosphere.

Practices begin in December or January dependent on gym availability.

CoEd K-2nd Grade Basketball
Fee: $75 Resident/$80 Non-Resident

CoEd 3rd & 4th Grade Basketball
Fee: $80 Resident/$85 Non-Resident

CoEd 5th & 6th Grade Basketball
Fee: $80 Resident/$85 Non-Resident

CoEd 7th & 8th Grade Basketball
Fee: $80 Resident/$85 Non-Resident

Girls 3rd-5th Grade Basketball
Fee: $80 Resident/$85 Non-Resident



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. Volunteer coaches must complete a volunteer application, pass a background check and complete concussion training. For more information contact Brody LeBlanc at bleblanc@oakparkmi.gov or call the Recreation Office (248) 691-7562.

ARCHERY

Thursdays, January 21-February 11
Oak Park Community Center
Seniors: 3-4 p.m. | $20 Resident/$25 Non-Resident
Youth: 4:30-5:30 p.m. | $20 Resident/$25 Non-Resident

Oak Park Recreation is very excited to partner with USA Archery to provide archery classes to our youth, and seniors! No experience is required and all equipment will be provided by Oak Park Recreation. For more information, contact the Recreation office at 248-691-7555

ADULT KICKBALL

Fridays | 6-9 p.m. | April 23-May 21 | CP2 & JFF
Co-Ed | 4 weeks + Playoffs (6 game reg. season)
Fee: $165 + $60/refundable deposit

Looking for something fun to do on Friday nights? Grab your friends, build a team, and join us for Adult Kickball! Whether you're competitive or just looking to have a good time, come out for a night of kickball, friends, and fun! Get your team together and show us what you've got on the field. Winners will receive trophy, medals, and shirts.



SENIOR SOFTBALL

Thursdays | 11 a.m.-2 p.m. | April 22-May 20 | CP2 & JFF
Co-Ed | Ages 50+ | 4 weeks + Playoffs (6 game reg. Season)
Fee: $165 + $60/refundable deposit

Senior Softball description: Stay active, have some fun, and enjoy a morning at the ballpark! Our Senior Softball League is open to adults 50+ and is a great way to get moving, meet new people, and enjoy America's favorite pastime. Bring your glove, bring your friends, and come out for some friendly competition and plenty of fun on the field! Winners will receive trophy, medals, and shirts.





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.

NEW! Our transportation hours have a brand-new start time! We are now able to begin scheduled pick ups at 8 a.m. with return times no later than 4:30 p.m. (when prior arrangements are made), Monday through Fridays.

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

Please note that when the Oak Park schools close due to snow/ice/the transportation buses will not run.

SENIOR SCOOP

Stay up to date with The Senior Scoop. The Senior Scoop is a monthly edition of the programs, classes, trips, lunches, and more offered to our seniors in the Community Center. As opportunities arise, the Recreation Department provides "add-ons" to its services. This document also highlights our instructors, volunteers, Recreation Commission members and more to give a personal side to the story.

Puzzles, recipes and fun facts are also included. Please stop by the Community Center to pick your copy up and say "Hi" to our staff. We look forward to seeing and meeting you.



AGEWAYS: NONPROFIT SENIOR SERVICES

The Area Agency on Aging 1B is now AgeWays Nonprofit Senior Services! New Name. Same great people. Same great programs. The new name reflects what they do best: Helping older adults age in the ways they choose. For more information please visit: AgeWays.org/NewName.



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BRUNCH & LEARN

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

The trips leave Oak Park at 8:15 a.m., with the program starting at the Adventure Center at 9 a.m. We will tour the building from 10:30-11:30 a.m. and then we will leave for our restaurant destination, which is TBD. The cost for each Brunch and Learn at the Outdoor Adventure Center is $9/person. Lunch will be on your own. **LIMITED** seats available, sign up today to reserve your seat.

Preregistration is required and tickets will go fast!
50 Up membership required.

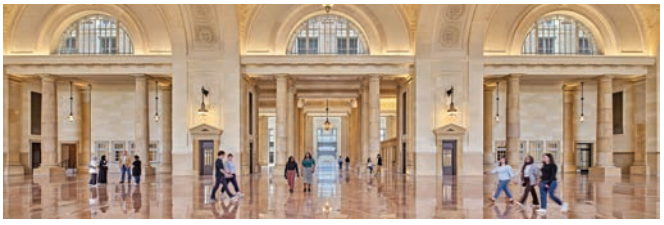
ISLE ROYALE'S WOLVES MOOSE PROJECT
Tuesday, November 10

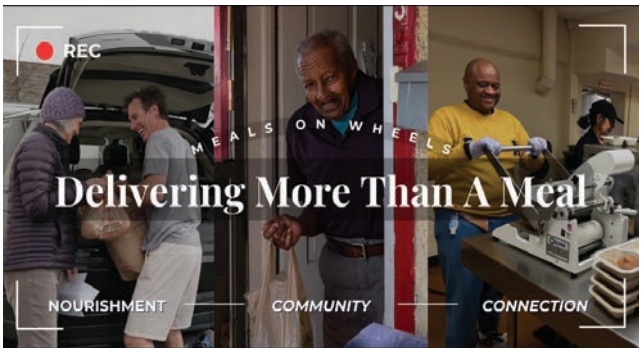
Jeffrey Holden has spent a quarter century leading groups on Isle Royale in support of the world's longest running predator-prey study. His one-hour presentation/book reading includes: a high level discussion of Isle Royale and its history, the history of the Wolf-Moose Study and how it got started, the Winter Study it entails and how it sets the stage for the Summer Study. The Summer Study: how the project depends upon the volunteers to find dead moose year-in and year-out, science of the study and examples of findings, moose and wolf bone show and tell, enjoy a short chapter or excerpt from the book.

Jeffrey M. Holden is the author of the award-winning *Dead Moose on Isle Royale*. He's been associated with the Wolf-Moose Project since 2002, when he first volunteered to look for dead moose on Isle Royale. He quickly became a group leader, and he has led at least one group every year since 2005. He is the president of the Wolf-Moose Foundation, a nonprofit whose mission is to advance research and education that promotes the conservation predators and their prey, especially the wolves and moose of Isle Royale. Lunch Destination TBD.

RESTORING MICHIGAN CENTRAL STATION
Tuesday, December 8

Hear the story of the rehabilitation of Michigan Central Station, an iconic historic building in Detroit, from the rarely told perspective of the builders who brought it back to life! Join Austin Giesey, senior project manager and leader of The Christman Company's Michigan Historic Preservation Group, and Rob Yallop, senior project manager from The Christman Company, to learn about the builders' planning process, protection of historic fabric, stabilization of the severely deteriorated structure, its rehabilitation to accommodate contemporary systems, and the painstaking restoration of its elegant exterior and magnificent interior spaces of the ground floor Train Depot.Lunch Destination TBD





MEALS ON WHEELS
MORE THAN JUST A MEAL

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

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 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 a.m.-5 p.m. (Closed 1-2 p.m. for lunch)
Every other Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

50 Up Club Membership required to enjoy drop-in programs:

MONDAY
Bingo, every Monday, 11:30-1:30 p.m., Inquire about fee.

TUESDAY
Watercolor Drop-In, 1-3 p.m.
Contemporary Quilters, every third Tuesday, 1-3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
Scrabble, 1-4 p.m.

THURSDAY
Dominoes, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Bid Whist, 1-4 p.m.
Drop In Hustle, Noon to 1 p.m., $5/resident; $7/non-resident
Chess, 6-9 p.m.

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The City of Oak Park Recreation Department thanks all vendors, farmers, makers, bakers, food businesses, and community partners who helped make the 2026 Oak Park Farmers Market a success.

This year marked an exciting new chapter as the Market moved to its permanent home at the Oak Park Event Hub and expanded through November 19. Vendors brought fresh produce, delicious food, handmade goods, and energy to our community all season long.

We are grateful to our 2026 participants: Abyssinian Designs • Autumn Hummingbird • Beadable Creations • Belledine's BBQ Sauce & Seasoning • Charm & Strange Crochet • Dakota Bakery • Deborah's Legacy • Ginn Farms • Good Life Catering • Halleula • Hill Mail Order • Impel Java • New Life Alternatives • Jewels & Gems Jewelry • Kayl's Bakery • Lilly Rose VC Bakery • Roo Cookie Factory • SharKar Farm • Spice Up Your Life • Simply Irresistible Popcorn & Treats • Ullman's Health • Topp Dogg • Allow Nourishment • Ramm Road Farm • Amina Butters • Goodness & Crumbs Cookie Co • Heauxlistic Juice Bar

We also thank the **Michigan Farmers Market Association (MIFMA)** for its grant funding and support, along with **MSU Extenstion**, **Edible WOW Magazine, Oakland County Health Department,** and **Healthy Oakland Partnership** for their education programs, cooking demonstrations, and Family and Senior Market Days.

To our vendors, partners, shoppers, and neighbors: thank you for helping make the Oak Park Farmers Market a special part of our community. We look forward to growing together at the Oak Park Event Hub.

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