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Pardon Our Dust – A Construction and Development Update

Dear Residents, The City of Oak Park is in the midst of a transformative period. Several major infrastructure and recreational projects are now underway, reinforcing our continued commitment to enhancing public spaces and city services for all who live, work, and visit our community.

We are pleased to share that construction has commenced on the multimillion-dollar **Oak Park Woods at Shepherd Park renovation**, a partnership between **Oak Park Recreation** and **Oakland County Parks**. The previous rental-kitchen has been demolished and sitewide utility work is underway. This exciting project will include:

- Fully accessible walking trails
- Expanded seating and gathering areas
- New public restroom facility
- A nature-themed playground
- Native plant landscaping and restoration
- Refurbished shelter and warming kitchen



For additional details, including project scope and timeline, please scan the QR code.

Phase 1 of the Elevate Oak Park initiative officially broke ground during our State of the City (SOTC) event in June and remains on schedule (see the accompanying sidebar article for a full SOTC recap). Foundation work is now complete, with masonry and structural steel work set to begin shortly. Vertical construction is expected to take shape later this summer.

This summer also brings substantial upgrades to the **11 Mile Corridor**, also known as the **Water Tower Social District**. This \$2 million transformation is designed to modernize infrastructure, improve pedestrian access, and create inviting community gathering spaces. Planned improvements include:

- New pavement
- Landscaped seating areas and fire pits
- Large-scale outdoor games
- Public art installations

These enhancements will provide an ideal setting for local events and expand the social district experience for residents and visitors alike. This project is slated to take place now through November of this year. Parking will be available throughout the project and loved

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community events will continue to take place as much as possible.

Looking ahead, **Phase 2 of Elevate Oak Park** is scheduled to begin with demolition activities in **Fall/Winter 2025**. This phase will clear the way for a new, state-of-the-art **Community Center**, which will feature:

- An all-season indoor swimming pool
- A walking and running track
- Updated recreational and playground equipment
- Flexible indoor spaces for programs, events, and community gatherings

As a result, **summer 2025 will mark the final season for the existing Oak Park Pool**. We understand the community’s strong connection to this age-old facility and thank you for your patience and support as we move toward reliable, updated and improved amenities.



To stay informed on all current and upcoming projects, we encourage residents to scan the QR code to visit our **Current Projects webpage**, now featuring an **interactive GIS mapping tool**. This resource offers real-time updates and allows users to view activity by hovering over specific intersections or areas.

Late summer also triggers the start of our **Nine Mile Road resurfacing project**. This year’s work will focus on the stretch between Cloverlawn and Greenfield Road. During construction, two-way traffic will be maintained; however, drivers should anticipate possible slowdowns and are encouraged to plan accordingly. Additionally, we are proud to share that this important infrastructure improvement is being funded almost entirely through grant support—making it a major upgrade at virtually no cost to the city. Thank you for your patience as we work to improve our roadways.

Additionally, the **Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)** continues its work on I-696, including full roadway reconstruction, bridge rehabilitation, and drainage improvements. Of note is the planned rebuilding of the Church Street



Plaza Bridge, which includes Victoria Park. A pedestrian detour is in place during this phase of the project. For updates, please scan the QR Code.

We understand that ongoing construction may bring temporary inconveniences, and we sincerely appreciate your patience and understanding during this time. These improvements are meaningful investments in the long-term quality of life, infrastructure, and future vitality of Oak Park. Please know that we remain committed to keeping our community safe, informed, and connected throughout every step of this journey. Our future is bright, our services are rising to new levels, and our momentum is only beginning.

Thank You & Warm Regards,

Erik Tungate, City Manager



2025 State of the City Recap:

FROM STRONG ROOTS TO NEW HEIGHTS

On June 10, 2025, Oak Park City Manager Erik Tungate and Mayor Marian McClellan delivered a landmark State of the City Address, celebrating 13 years of resilience, smart governance, and unprecedented growth.

Under the theme **“Celebrating Strong Roots and Reaching New Heights,”** the evening highlighted Oak Park’s transformation into a thriving, financially sound, and inclusive community.

The event culminated in the official groundbreaking of Phase 1 of Elevate Oak Park—the Event Hub & Band Shell, a major investment in community spaces and a symbol of the city’s forward momentum.

FAST FACTS & KEY HIGHLIGHTS:

Financial Strength

- \$4.56M rainy-day fund (17.3% of the general fund)
- \$10M in capital bonds sold within hours on market—demonstrating market confidence
- A+ bond rating with a stable outlook (Standard & Poor’s)
- Property values have recovered and grown by \$800M since 2008
- No increase in solid waste or stormwater fees
- Modest 6% water/sewer rate adjustment

Capital Projects Underway

- Elevate Oak Park Phase 1 broke ground: a four-season Event Hub and Band Shell to host markets, concerts, and events
- Phase 2 in planning: indoor pool, walking track, fitness & wellness spaces
- Shepherd Park (Oak Park Woods) upgrades include:
 - New nature-themed playground
 - Modern restrooms & pavilions
 - Improved kitchens
 - Preservation of the park’s iconic train

Nine Mile Redesign: A National Model

- 4 new parks, 1 zipline, 4 community art installations, 1 protected bike lane & trailhead
- Attracted \$7M+ in private investment
- Recognized by SEMCOG, Michigan Planners, and other cities now replicating the model.
- Michigan Municipal League Community Excellence Award Finalist - 2024

Public Safety Enhancements

- 52 sworn officers, with 10 new hires in the pipeline
- Introduced K9 Vader (explosives detection)
- Deployed a state-of-the-art drone for emergencies and crime scene support

Regional Partnerships & Community Investment

- \$200K ARPA CHORE grant secured—expanding senior home care services through 2026



- Joint projects with:
 - Berkley Schools at Tyler Park
 - Southfield at Greenfield Gateway (landscaping, lighting, signage)

Economic Growth

- 14 new CIA businesses opened in 2024
- 11 Mile corridor now 99% leased
- \$24M in investment since the CIA’s inception in 2016 through Dec. 2023

Arts & Culture

- New library mural by nationally acclaimed artist and Oak Park native Desiree Kelly



Official Phase 1 Elevate Oak Park Groundbreaking

Following the address, city leaders and residents gathered to break ground on the Elevate Oak Park Event Hub, marking the start of a transformative era in public spaces. Attendees received commemorative blankets, took photos with shovels in hand, and signed a time capsule registry to be remembered by future generations.

City Manager Tungate closed by thanking residents for their trust and leadership: “This is not just a construction project—it’s a community movement born from your ideas and your voice. Mayor McClellan echoed the sentiment: “We’re no longer a city hoping for a second chance—we are a city setting the bar.”

2025 LEAF COLLECTION DATES



SECTION 1
OCTOBER 14
OCTOBER 21
NOVEMBER 4
NOVEMBER 25

SECTION 2
OCTOBER 15
OCTOBER 23
NOVEMBER 7
DECEMBER 1

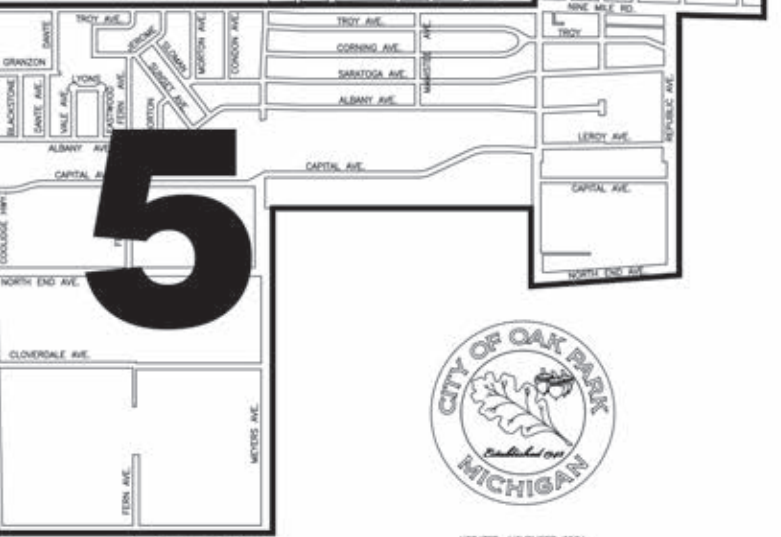
SECTION 3
OCTOBER 16
OCTOBER 27
NOVEMBER 12
DECEMBER 3

SECTION 4
OCTOBER 17
OCTOBER 29
NOVEMBER 17
DECEMBER 5

SECTION 5
OCTOBER 20
OCTOBER 31
NOVEMBER 20
DECEMBER 9

NOTES

- ALL LEAVES SHALL BE PLACED AT THE CURBSIDE BY THE DATE OF EACH SECTIONS COLLECTION
- PLEASE REMOVE VEHICLES FROM STREET ON THE DATES LISTED ABOVE UNTIL THE LEAVES ARE REMOVED



UPDATED: NOVEMBER 2024

BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

A FLORAL TEA PARTY

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29
NOON - 3 P.M.
\$20 PER GUEST

A PRIZE WILL BE GIVEN TO THE GUEST THAT BRINGS THE MOST UNIQUE TEACUP & SAUCER (OPTIONAL)



PRE REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

In-Person | Online | By Phone

Oak Park Recreation
14300 Oak Park Blvd.
(248) 691-7555
OakParkMI.Gov



ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?
CALL LONNIE K. TABB-UPSHAW
248-872-4978

REC ON THE ROAD

TUESDAYS FROM 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.
AUGUST 2025

Meet the Mobile Recreation SMART Van at the designated park every Tuesday!

Rec on the Road is a **FREE** recreation program bringing a safe and fun environment for kids to enjoy arts, crafts, individual and group games, fitness and recreational activities at local community parks.

For more information call 248-691-7555.

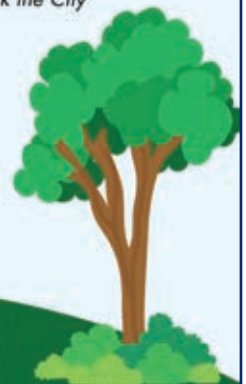
Please be Advised: Activities may be canceled if there is rain or excessive heat advisories. Be sure to check the City of Oak Park Facebook or call 248-691-7555 for cancellations before heading out.

Parents/guardians must stay in the park during Mobile Recreation programs.

AUGUST 5: NINE MILE CONNECTOR PARK

AUGUST 12: BEST PARK

AUGUST 19: DAVID H. SHEPHERD PARK



OAK PARK RECREATION
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OAK PARK FARMERS MARKET THURSDAYS 9 A.M. - 2 P.M. THRU OCTOBER 9

Fresh Michigan Produce, Dakota Bakery Breads and Sweets, Honey



Earn Market Bucks with Power of Produce Program:

- Children & Adults
- Free Yoga!

**Location: 14300 Oak Park Blvd
Oak Park Community Center Grounds**

For more information call (248) 691-7555 or visit:
www.oakparkmi.gov

Accept EBT, Participate in Double-Up Food Bucks,
WIC, SR. Project Fresh Prescription for Health

SPECIAL EVENTS:

August 14 "Senior Market Day"

August 21 & Sept. 11 "Artisan Day"

Sponsored by:

HENRY FORD HEALTH.



OAK PARK CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY (OPCIA)

OPCIA PROJECT NEWS

What's Happening?

The City of Oak Park and the OPCIA, in partnership with Oakland County, will begin a major parking lot construction project, along 11 Mile in the Water Tower Social district, in the west and middle Kingston Parking Lots (between Gardner & Tulare).

The \$2 million district transformation will create inviting gathering spaces within the social district. Renovation features include: new pavement, specialized lighting, landscaping, fire pits, seating, large-scale outdoor games, and public art. These upgraded spaces will offer an ideal and enjoyable setting for the City's diverse local events and the social district experience for residents and customers.

Key Project Points:

- Construction slated through Nov. 2025
- All businesses will remain open during the renovation
- Parking will always be available in the area
- Events will proceed in the area as normally as possible



Oak Park CRUISE & GROOVE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14
6 - 9 PM

WATER TOWER SOCIAL DISTRICT
14700 KINGSTON STREET, OAK PARK

CLASSIC CARS
LIVE MUSIC with
GOOD GRAVY
SOCIAL DISTRICT
EATS & DRINKS

Register your vehicles!



OAKTOBERFEST



10.4.25 4 - 9 PM

FOOD ♦ DRINKS ♦ LIVE MUSIC
CONTESTS ♦ KID'S ACTIVITIES

WATER TOWER SOCIAL DISTRICT
14500 KINGSTON STREET, OAK PARK



**FREE
ADMISSION**



**OAK PARK
Summer
CONCERT SERIES
PRESENTED BY** 
OAK PARK



FAMILY/ FRIENDLY/ FUN
Bring a lawn chair, a blanket, and bug
spray. Food trucks are available.

**MAINSTREET SOUL
WEDNESDAY, AUG. 6
7 to 8:30 P.M.**



**OAK PARK COMMUNITY CENTER GROUNDS
(GRASSY AREA)
14300 OAK PARK BLVD
OAK PARK, MI 48236**



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**ROOTS VIBRATION
WEDNESDAY, AUG. 13
7 to 8:30 P.M.**



**OAK PARK COMMUNITY CENTER GROUNDS
(GRASSY AREA)
14300 OAK PARK BLVD
OAK PARK, MI 48236**

ALL IN FOR

SAFER STREETS

Creating Safer Streets in Southeast Oakland County



We need you to help us make our streets safer!

In 2024, seven communities in Southeast Oakland County – Berkeley, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntingdon Woods, Madison Heights, Oak Park, and Pleasant Heights – banded together to eliminate all traffic deaths and serious injuries on our streets by 2045. We are committed to redesigning our streets and changing policies.

We are all in. Just 5 percent of our streets account for 73 percent of serious injuries and 84 percent of deaths. Yikes. We can make a big difference with targeted action. But we can't do it alone.

We all need to be all in. Safer streets can happen if we work together. Here are a few small habits that can make a big impact:



Slow down. Worse crashes happen at higher speeds. Driving at or below the speed limit gives you more time to react to situations around you.



Notice your neighbors. Keep an eye out for everyone on the road: fellow drivers, people walking and biking, kids playing in the street, and others enjoying our beautiful communities. Everyone deserves to travel safely, and those outside a car are most vulnerable in a crash. Be a good neighbor and get home safe.



Take it easy. Behaviors like speeding and running red lights – as well as alcohol and drug use – contribute to nearly 75 percent of serious injuries in Southeast Oakland County. Keep a level head, take your time, and help make our streets safer.

Learn more about the Southeast Oakland County All In for Safer Streets campaign at www.saferoadsseoakland.com.

Join us!

Here are a few easy ways to support making Southeast Oakland County's streets safer:



Sign up to receive an "All In For Safer Streets" yard sign for your home or business. Let people know you value all road users, and support driving the speed limit, looking out for people bicycling, and stopping for people crossing.



Follow the effort on social media. We'll be highlighting Safe Streets heroes from our community(ies), providing project updates, and sharing safety tips.



Stay in the know. Visit the All In For Safer Streets website (www.saferoadsseoakland.com) to read the Vision Zero plan, learn about projects and events, and stay in touch.

Oak Park Public Library

CONTACT US!

(248) 691-7480

reference@oakparkmi.gov

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

NO-BAKE DOG TREATS

Sunday, August 10 | 2-3 p.m.

It's National Dog Month! Celebrate your pooch by making them some tasty snacks. All supplies provided. **Drop-in, no registration required.**

SUMMER READING FINALE

Sunday, August 17 | 2-4 p.m.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library

We're celebrating the end of summer with one last party. Join us for a lively interactive puppet show featuring music and comedy. Kids who participated in our summer reading program can pick up their prizes, and grown-ups can visit with community organizations for info on preschool registration, parenting support, mental health resources, and more. Children 6 months-12 years old can also receive a free vision screening by the Royal Oak Lions Club! **Drop-in, no registration required.**

GRAB & GO: POTATO COSTUME CONTEST

Pick up starts Monday, October 6 | Ages 5+

Return by Wednesday, October 15

Vote for your favorites by Thursday, October 30

Pick up a potato and instructions from the library. Dress your spud in a costume of your choice – think your favorite book characters, pop culture icons, spooky classics, etc. Return your costumed tater to the library by Wednesday, October 15. Stop by the library to vote on your favorite costumes. Winners will receive a prize and be featured on our social media. **Available while supplies last. One per person, must be present to pick up.**



FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

TODDLER STORYTIME

Thursdays | September 4-October 30 | 10:15 a.m. | Ages 0-3

This interactive program is designed for babies and toddlers to engage with caregivers through stories, songs, and movement. It's the perfect way for toddlers to develop foundational skills while caregivers get ideas for activities to do at home. Older siblings are welcome to attend. **Drop-in, no registration required.**

SUNDAY STORYTIMES

Sundays, September 7 & October 5 | 4 p.m. | Ages 0-5

By patron request! A weekend storytime designed to engage kids through songs, rhymes, and movement. This is a great way to help kids develop the skills they'll need to learn to read, while having fun with a caregiver. Older siblings are welcome to attend. **Drop-in, no registration required.**





READ TO ROVER

Mondays in September | 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Ages 5-10
September 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

For kids who love dogs and/or hate to read. We're celebrating Library Card Sign Up Month by reading aloud to furry friends! Reading to a therapy dog has been shown to build skills and increase confidence in children who otherwise resist reading. This program gives children the opportunity to read to a therapy dog for 15 minutes in a relaxing setting. **Registration is required, call 248-691-7480 option 3.**

LEGO CONTEST

Sundays, September 21 & October 19 | 2-3:30 p.m. | Ages 7-9

For LEGO-loving kids and/or kids who like cooperative games. This LEGO contest is a team-based competition to build a specific LEGO figure. The team that correctly completes their build the fastest wins! Teams may have 2-3 members and must be formed *before* registering. **Registration is required.**

FIRE SAFETY FUN W/PUBLIC SAFETY

Thursday, October 9 | 6 p.m. | Ages 2-10

It's Fire Safety Week! Learn about the gear firefighters wear to protect themselves and what to do if a fire breaks out at home. Kids will get an opportunity to sit inside a fire truck before leaving with activities to help practice fire safety at home. **Registration required.**

FOR ADULTS

HISTORY OF PEWABIC POTTERY

Tuesday, August 19 | 6 p.m.

Learn about the origins and storied history of Pewabic Pottery, which is one of the oldest continually operating potteries in the country! **Registration required.**



HONEY HELP APIARIES BEE WORKSHOP

Thursday, September 11 | 6:00 p.m.

Get to know all the ins and outs of honey production with local beekeeper, Alison Johns. Since 2015, Johns has managed dozens of hives in the Oak Park area. She'll be bringing raw honey to sample and jars of honey will be available for purchase. **Registration required.**



HOUSEPLANT SWAP

Sunday, September 14 | 2-3 p.m.

It's National Indoor Plant Week and we're celebrating by hosting a houseplant swap! Bring some cuttings or potted plants to trade with other green thumbs in the area. **This is a drop-in event.**

MEDICARE BASICS WITH AGEWAYS

Tuesday, September 16 | 6 p.m.

Open enrollment is coming soon! Join us to learn what's new with Medicare. Presented by AgeWays. **Registration required.**



ASK A LIBRARIAN: RESUME WRITING

Tuesday, September 23 | 6-7 p.m.

Need some assistance crafting a resume from scratch or just want another set of eyes to look yours over? Bring your resume or laptop and we'll help you make some edits. **Registration required.**

COOKBOOK SWAP

Sunday, October 12 | 2-3 p.m.

Have some cookbooks you no longer use? Bring them to the library and swap them for something new-to-you. We'll be accepting cookbooks Monday, October 6 through Friday, October 10. You'll receive one ticket for each cookbook you bring, up to five. Then, use these tickets on Sunday to "purchase" cookbooks. We'll be opening up the swap at 2:30 p.m. to non-ticket holders.

MURDER IN THE LIBRARY: A MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

Tuesday, October 14 | 6-7:30 p.m.

Welcome to Cattersley Manor, where romance writer Lady Cattersley has been snuffed out by one of her guests. But whodunit? Think you can solve the mystery? Join us for an evening of sleuthing. Light refreshments served. **Registration required.**

FLOWER ARRANGING 101

Wednesday, October 15 | 6 p.m.

Learn how to create simple fresh flower arrangements that are sure to add a little cheer to your home. All supplies provided. **Registration required.**

AFTERNOON TEA

Second Tuesday of the Month | August-October | 2-3 p.m.

Enjoy a hot cup of tea and conversation with your neighbors! Tea and light refreshments available. **Registration suggested, drop-ins welcome.**

CRAFT NIGHT

Tuesday, August 26, September 30 & October 21 | 6 p.m.

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

SWIPE RIGHT: A ROMANCE BOOK CLUB

Fourth Wednesday of the Month | 6:30 p.m.

August 27, September 24, and October 22

Join us at Mother Handsome in Oak Park to chat about the monthly read. Copies of each book are available at the circulation desk one month before we meet. You can also find copies available on Libby and Hoopla. **Registration suggested, drop-ins welcome.**



AUTHOR TALK AND BOOK SIGNING: Jack Lessenberry
Oak Park Rise and Rebirth: The story of a unique Detroit suburb
Thursday, August 21 | 6:30 p.m.

Presented by the Friends of Oak Park Library. Come learn more about the history of Oak Park with author Jack Lessenberry. Books will be available for purchase and all proceeds go to the Friends of the Oak Park Library.

Registration required.

OAK PARK HISTORY HELPERS!
Second Wednesday of the Month | 6 p.m

Attention Oak Park history lovers! We're looking for area residents who can share their Oak Park historical knowledge to identify the "who, what, where, and when" of our historic photo collection. **Registration required.**

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! Copies of each book are available at the circulation desk one month before we meet. **Registration suggested, drop-ins welcome.**

NEEDLEWORK NEIGHBORS
Second and fourth Thursday of the Month | 6:30 pm

Come to the library and work on your project with others! Bring your crochet, knitting, cross stitch, needlepoint, or other needlework project and we'll have books out for inspiration. **Free and no registration required, drop-ins welcome!**

TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE BY APPOINTMENT
30 min 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.**

Thank You

Friends of the Library for sponsoring the Summer Reading Program.

The 2025 Summer Reading Program is also supported by donations from:

Scheer's Ace Hardware in Oak Park
 Creative Arts Studio in Royal Oak

Jerusalem Pizza in Southfield

Mother Handsome

Chuck E. Cheese

The Book Beat

Escape Room Zone

Dog and Pony Show

HobbyTown

Hungry Howie's

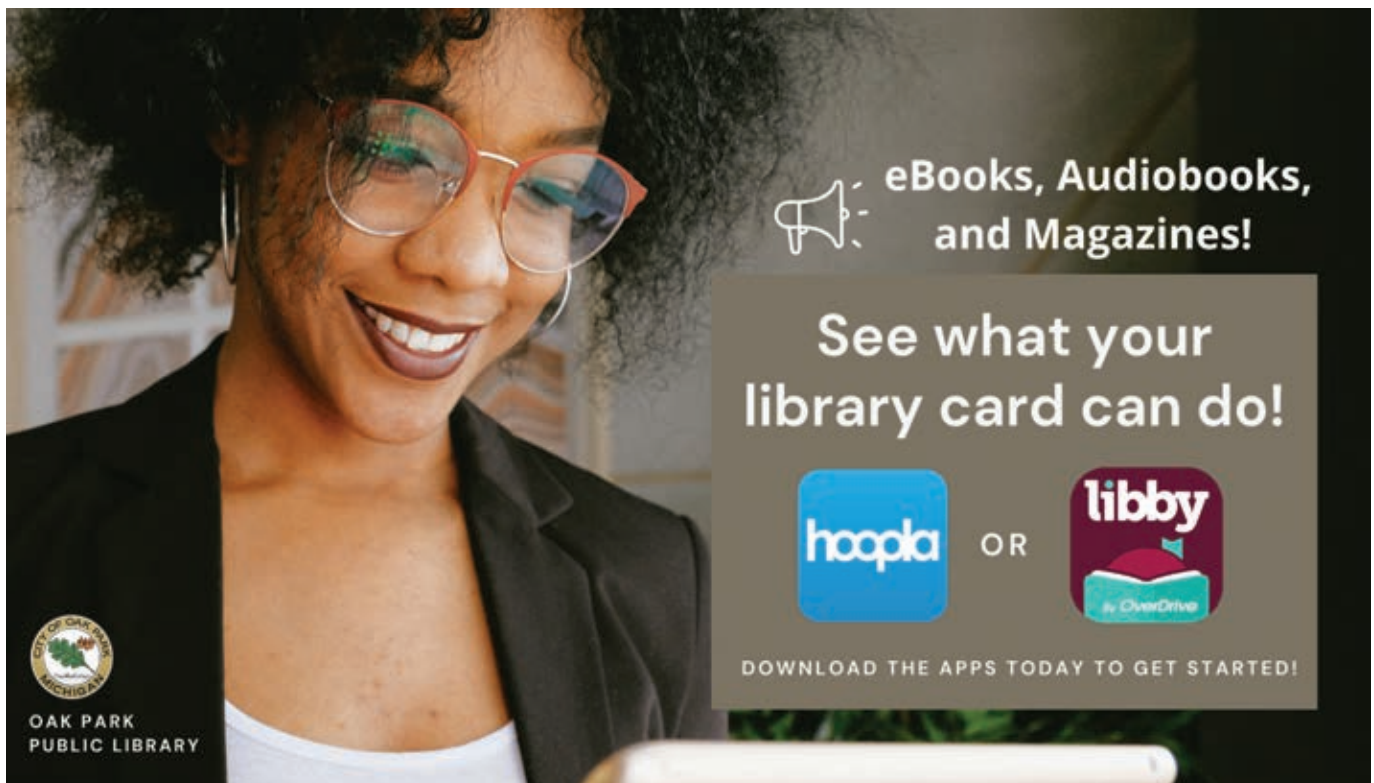
Urban Air

Found Sound

Nerd Out

Zap Zone

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by OverDrive

DOWNLOAD THE APPS TODAY TO GET STARTED!

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PUBLIC LIBRARY

Best Friends Child Care



Building Early Childhood Foundations That Last a Lifetime!

248-629-7065

8430 W. 9 Mile
Oak Park, MI 48237



We Accept
DHS

Enrollment Information



Scan with your Camera

Contact us Today for
a Scheduled tour!



OAK PARK RECREATION

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.)

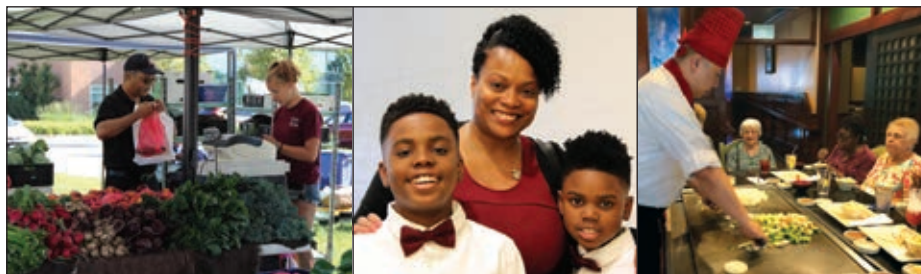
Open every other Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.: August 1, 15, 29, September 12, 26, October 10, 24

Closed: September 1

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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Hours:
Monday-Thursday
9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-5 p.m.
Every Other Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

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.

FOLLOW US ON:



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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®

CREATIVE CUPCAKE CREATIONS

4:30-6 p.m. | Ages 8-12 | \$25/Resident, \$30/Non-Resident
Monday, Sept. 15: Back to School Theme
Monday, Oct. 21: Happy Halloween Theme

Join us for a fun and festive cupcake decorating class led by the talented Heather of Heather's Homemade Cakes! In this hands-on workshop, young bakers will dive into the sweet world of cupcake design, learning how to pipe, swirl, and sprinkle like a pro. Each session features a seasonal or holiday theme, allowing kids to express their creativity while mastering basic frosting techniques and experimenting with colorful toppings and edible decorations. Every participant will take home their own beautifully decorated cupcake to enjoy. All materials are provided.

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.

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



OAK PARK FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays | 9am-2pm | FREE | Community Center Parking Lot

The Oak Park Farmers Market will host the **Senior Market Day event Thursday, August 14**. Additional resource organizations will be on hand for informational purposes for those 55 and older as well as for caregivers of their elderly loved ones. The market continues to provide locally grown produce, honey, breads, baked goods and more!

The **Artisan Days** will be held on **August 21** and **September 11**. Shop our local artisans for those "one of a kind" gifts for friends, family or treat yourself!

The market will run through **Thursday, October 9**.

SAVE THE DATE



ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 18 | 1-3 pm | FREE
 11-Mile Water Tower Social District

Grab your costumes and mark your calendars for Oak Park Recreation's Annual Trunk or Treat! Get ready for another year transforming the 11-Mile Water Tower Social District into a spook-tacular event! This FREE Trunk or Treat event is one you certainly don't want to miss! Register your ride today at (248) 691-7555!

OAK PARK & BARK

HOURS OF OPERATION

OPEN DAILY, YEAR ROUND





MONDAY: 11 A.M. - 9 P.M.
 CLOSED 7-11 AM FOR MAINTENANCE

TUESDAY - SUNDAY: 7 A.M. - 9 P.M.

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YOUTH SOCCER

Early Registration ends August 1, 2025.

Games are Saturdays and some weeknights.

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

U6 SOCCER: Fee: \$60 Resident/\$65 Non-Resident

U8 SOCCER: Fee: \$65 Resident/\$70 Non-Resident

U10 SOCCER: Fee: \$70 Resident/\$75 Non-Resident

U12 SOCCER: Fee: \$75 Resident/\$80 Non-Resident

U14 SOCCER: Fee: \$80 Resident/\$85 Non-Resident
Some travel required. Games may be Saturdays, Sundays, or Wednesdays.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

January-March

Early registration ends Nov. 6

Late registration ends Nov. 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 and Ferndale.

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: \$70 Resident/\$75 Non-Resident

CoEd 3rd & 4th Grade Basketball

Fee: \$75 Resident/\$80 Non-Resident

CoEd 5th & 6th Grade Basketball

Fee: \$75 Resident/\$80 Non-Resident

Girls 3rd-5th Grade Basketball

Fee: \$75 Resident/\$80 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 Jes Alger at jalger@oakparkmi.gov or call the Recreation Office (248) 691-7555.

SPORTS SAMPLER CAMP

Week of August 18-22, 2025

Sports Sampler Camp invites kids to explore the wide world of athletics in a fun and supportive environment! From soccer to basketball, and even archery, campers will enjoy trying out various sports and discovering their favorites. Our staff provide guidance and encouragement, fostering skill development and confidence in every participant. Latchkey will not be provided during Sports Sampler Camp.

Full Week (5 Days) | Mon-Fri, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

\$140 per week, Resident | \$150 per week, Non-Resident

ARCHERY CAMP

August 20, 2025

Join us for a half-day introductory archery camp where participants will learn the fundamentals of archery in a fun and engaging environment! This camp covers essential skills, including proper shooting technique and archery range safety, while incorporating exciting games to enhance learning. All equipment is provided. Latchkey not provided.

Half Day | 9 a.m.-12 p.m. | Ages 8-12

\$35 Resident/\$40 Non-Resident

ARCHERY

Sept 15-October 14 | \$25 Resident/\$30 Non-Resident

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

YOUTH: Basic Archery

Tuesdays | 4:30-5:30 p.m. | 5 weeks | Rooms A & B

YOUTH: Intermediate Archery

Mondays | 4:30-5:30 p.m. | 5 weeks | Rooms A & B

SENIOR: Basic Archery

Tuesdays | 3-4 p.m. | 5 weeks | Rooms A & B

SENIOR: Intermediate Archery

Mondays | 3-4 p.m. | 5 weeks | Rooms A & B

ADULT: Intermediate Archery

Mondays | 6-7 p.m. | 5 weeks | Rooms A & B

OPEN RANGE

Tuesdays | 6-7 p.m. | Room B

Open archery range time is for participants of all ages who have attended Aim High: Intro to Archery or Basic or Intermediate archery classes through Oak Park Recreation only. Space is limited. Pre-registration required.

How do you move?
FIND YOUR FIT!

FREE EVENT featuring rock climbing,
 fitness classes, inflatables & more for all ages.

September 14, 2025
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
David H. Shepherd Park

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS Presented by **Oak Park Recreation & Oakland County Parks and Recreation**

CITY OF OAK PARK MICHIGAN



• SAVE THE DATE •

HEALTH & HOUSING SUMMER FEST

Family Fun and Resource Expo

Tuesday, August 5 | 11am - 2pm

Normandy Oaks Park
4234 Delemere, Royal Oak

Enjoy food and fun activities for kids to enjoy while connecting with free health and housing resources.



MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

The Recreation Department has secured tickets for the entire 2024-2025 season. Stop by the Recreation Department for up-to-date information.

CATCH ME IF YOU CAN

Wednesday, October 29

Included lunch at Loccino's

Overflowing with mirth, this Broadway whodunit is exciting from beginning to end. A Michigan advertising man, who has brought his bride to the boss' mountain lodge for a honeymoon, calls in the local police to investigate her sudden disappearance. Enter a pretty young girl who insists over his protests that she is his missing wife. A priest backs up her story. A funny little man who owns a delicatessen enters and before you know it there are two murders at the isolated lodge.

OPC PERFORMING ARTS FALL SHOW; DAMES AT SEA

Wednesday October 22 | \$22/person

Includes: Parmesan Crusted Chicken lunch and dessert

Join us as we travel to Rochester's OPC Performing Arts Fall theatre show: Dames at Sea! This is a tap-happy celebration of the golden era of movie musicals with a heart as big as the ocean! Limited seats available, sign up today!

BILTMORE ESTATE, TENNESSEE



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. 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 the Recreation Department at (248) 691-7555 for more details. Here is a sneak peek.

HAUNTED HAPPENINGS:

A Spooky Trip to Northeast Ohio

Friday, October 31 to Saturday, November 1 (2 days/1 night)
\$455 per person / double occupancy

A CHRISTMAS TO REMEMBER:

Featuring Dollywood & Biltmore Estate

Monday, December 1 to Friday, December 5 (5 days/4 nights)
\$1,409 per person / double occupancy

A GRAND HOLLANDY CHRISTMAS:

Featuring Grand Rapids & Holland

Wednesday, December 10 to Thursday, December 11 (2 days/1 night)
\$369 per person / double occupancy

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

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 Winter and Spring tours. As these and more trips come in we will post the



full details in the lobby of the Recreation Department. These day trips sell out quickly so don't hesitate. Contact the Recreation Department at (248) 691-7555 for more details.

NIGHT LITES AT MIS: Michigan International Speedway Wednesday, December 3 | \$96/person

Enjoy a deluxe highway motorcoach, equipped with reclining seats as we travel to our first stop in Brooklyn, MI for dinner at Jerry's Pub with a specular view of Wampler's lake. Your dinner buffet consists of Chicken Kabob with roasted vegetables, hummus and pita bread, Lake Perch, or a half slab of baby backed ribs. After dinner you will travel to Michigan International Speedway for the light tour.

ANN ARBOR ADVENTURE Tuesday, September 30 | \$149/person.

Alumni of University of Michigan? Huge football fan? Take a tour of "The Big House!" See game day locker rooms, the press box, and even step on the field on the big block "M." Enjoy an included lunch at Gandy Dancer, an architectural landmark, with your choice of oven roasted Antarctic salmon, lemon chicken, or parmesan crusted snapper. Finish your day at Creature Conservancy, home of more than 400 individual animals from about 100 different species!



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 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**.

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.

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.



LUNCH TRIPS

Check with the Recreation Department for a list of dates and restaurants.
Transportation fee: \$6/person. Must be a 50 Up member.

SENIOR PICNIC LUNCHES

Mark your calendar for the following dates: August 15, September 12, October 10. Stop by the community center to pick up a flyer with complete details and pricing! These picnics will take place in the Community Center from 12 noon–2:30 p.m.

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 will 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!

RIVERFRONT RAILROADS

Thursday, October 16

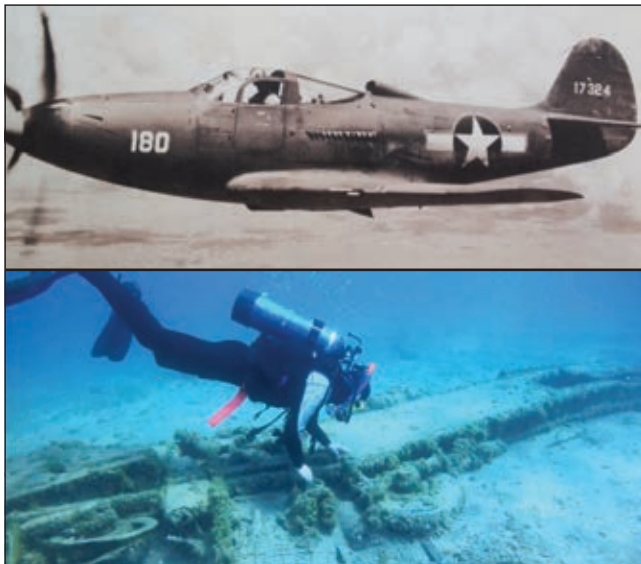
Welcome to Detroit- the city that put America on wheels and broadcast the Motown sound around the world! During this discussion, we will look at modern Detroit and the historic events that shaped the city as it exists today. We will explore the role our city played in shaping the success of the car and shipping industries and the work our neighbors contribute to their success. Honor those who served in many ways as we discuss Detroit's impact on fighting World War II. Enjoy the sounds of Detroit's greatest music legends, see the historically-hottest clubs in the city where championships are won. Lunch TBD.

LAKE HURON RED TAILS:

RECOVERING A WORLD WAR II TUSKEGEE AIRPLANE

Thursday, November 13

Wayne Lusardi is Michigan's State Maritime Archaeologist with the Department of Natural Resources. Since 2015 he has been leading expeditions to archaeologically document an airplane wreck in Lake Huron. The fighter plane, lost in April 1944, was being flown by Tuskegee Airman Lt. Frank H. Moody. Divers discovered the wrecked airplane in 2014, and Lusardi has been working with variety partners to recover, conserve and exhibit the aircraft in Detroit. Lunch TBD.



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.

TRUALTA

A new, online educational platform offered by AgeWays Nonprofit Senior Services offers caregivers an easy way to get information and advice online. It's also FREE! Trualta's learning modules, on subjects ranging from handling a loved one's resistance to taking medications, to managing pressure wounds can be read, listened to or watched. There are resources, articles, checklists, videos, quizzes and webinars to choose from. There is a chat function so caregivers can learn from each other and supports groups. For additional information or questions call 833-262-2200 or email trualta@ageways.org.

Pick up this informational brochure in the lobby of the Community Center.



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.



CLASSES

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: HathaAug2025 - Sept 4-Oct. 23

Course: HathaOct2025 - Nov. 6-Dec. 18 (no class 11/27)
(6 weeks prorated \$30 Resident, \$35/Non-Resident)

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: GentleChairMonSept25 - Sept. 8-Nov. 10
(no class 10/27 & 11/3)

Course: GentleChairThursAug25 - Sept. 4-Oct. 23
Course: GentleChairThursOct25 - Oct. 30-Dec.18 (no class 11/27)
(7 weeks prorated \$26 Resident, \$31/Non-Resident)

TAI CHI FOR BEGINNERS

Tuesday, from 10-10:45 a.m.

Ages 18 and up | \$42 Resident/\$47 Non-Resident | 6 weeks

There must be a minimum of five participants for the 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 BegSept25 - Sept. 2-Nov. 18 (no class 10/28 & 11/4)

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. This class is for experienced students only. Instructor: Han Hoong Wang.

Course: Tai Chi RetSept25 - Sept. 2-Oct. 21

Course: Tai Chi RetOct25 - Nov. 11-Dec. 16 /
(6 weeks prorated \$42 Resident, \$47/Non-Resident)

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: SeniorsAug25 - Sept. 2-Nov. 11
(no class 9/30, 10/2, 10/28, 10/30 & 11/4)

STRETCH IT OUT

Tuesdays, 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: StretchAug25 - Aug. 26-Oct. 14

Course: StretchOct25 - Oct. 21-Dec. 16 (no class 10/28 & 11/4)
(7 weeks prorated \$31Resident, \$36/Non-Resident)

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: YogaEveryBodySept25 - Sept. 8-Nov. 10
(no class 10/27 & 11/3)

ZUMBA FOR ALL

Thursdays 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: ZumbaJune2025 – June 10-June 24
(3 weeks prorated \$15/Resident, \$20/Non-Resident)
Course: ZumbaJuly2025 – July 1-Aug. 19

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: ZumbaGoldAug25 – Aug. 28-Oct. 16
Course: ZumbaGoldOct25 – Oct. 22-Dec. 18 (no class 10/30 & 11/27)
(7 weeks prorated \$42/Resident, \$47/Non-Resident)

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: BegHustleAug25 – Aug. 27-Oct. 15
Course: BegHustleOct5 – Oct. 22-Dec. 17 (no class 11/26)

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: InterMedHustleAug25 – Aug. 27-Oct. 15
Course: InterMedHustleOct25 – Oct. 22-Dec. 17 (no class 11/26)



BALLROOM DANCE BEGINNERS

Fridays from 6-7:15 p.m.

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

Join us and learn Detroit Style Ballroom dance. Detroit style ballroom is a partner dance where the cha cha is the basic step. It's not the formal traditional ballroom dance like the waltz and Foxtrot. You'll find the dance 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 not only learn new dance steps but you'll get your steps in for getting in shape. Imagine the next social event that you attend and you're able to showcase your ballroom moves on the floor. Bring your partner or come alone. Yes, even YOU can learn to dance. Instructor: Maurice Adams

Course: BallroomBegSept25 – Sept. 12-Nov. 7 (no class 10/24 & 10/31)
Course: BallroomBegNov25 – Nov. 14-Dec. 19 (no class 11/28)
(5 weeks prorated \$25/Resident, \$30/Non-Resident)

BALLROOM DANCE ADVANCED

Fridays, 7:30-9 p.m.

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

The pre-requisite for this class is that you have taken the Beginner Ballroom Classics, 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: BallroomAdvSept25 – Sept. 12-Nov. 7 (no class 10/24 & 10/31)
Course: BallroomAdvNov25 – Nov. 14-Dec. 19 (no class 11/28)
(5 weeks prorated \$29/Resident, \$34/Non-Resident)

FUNCTIONAL STRENGTH

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, Rachel Eckert (instructor of Chair Yoga and Stretch It Out), 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.

Course: FunctionalSept25 – Sept. 10-Oct. 29



Summer Pool Season



Pool season is coming to a close, but there's still time to enjoy the water! 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.

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, Hazel Park, and Southfield.

SEASON DATES

Regular Season: Now – Aug. 17

Late Extended Season: Aug. 18 – Sept. 6

HOURS OF OPERATION

Late Extended Season Hours

Thursday, 5-7 p.m.

Friday, 2-8 p.m.

Saturday, 1-6 p.m.

Sunday, 1-6 p.m.

Holiday Hours

Labor Day, Sept. 2, 1-6 p.m.

Regular Season Hours

Sunday, 1-6 p.m.

Monday, 2-7 p.m.

Tuesday, 2-7 p.m.

Wednesday, 2-7 p.m.

Thursday, 2 to 7 p.m.

Friday, 2-8 p.m.

Saturday, 1-6 p.m.

SPECIAL POOL HOURS

WOMEN-ONLY AND MEN-ONLY SWIM

Oak Park Pool will be hosting separate female-only and male-only swim hours. For any number of reasons, including faith or personal preference, some women and girls may prefer to swim without being in the presence of males. Vice versa, men and boys may prefer to swim without being in the presence of females. 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, 7:30-9 p.m.

Sundays, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

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

Late Season: Begins Aug. 17, 2025.

Female only swim will be available on Sundays only.

Male-Only Swim:

Male lifeguards will be assigned during men-only swim.

Tuesday and Thursdays, 7:30-9 p.m.

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

Late Season: Late Season: Begins Aug. 14, 2025.

Male only swim will be available on Thursday evenings only.

ADULT-ONLY LAP SWIM

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

One lane available. More times/hours may be added throughout the pool season. Additional lanes may be added based on pool attendance.

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

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.

Late Seasons: Begins Aug. 17, 2025.

Morning hours only on Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 9-10:30 a.m.

WATER AEROBICS

Through Sept. 5 | \$3 Resident/\$4 Non-Resident

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9-10 a.m.

Saturdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Sunday (Female-Only): Through Aug. 31 from 9-10 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.

Late Season: Water Aerobics will be available as scheduled. Last day Saturday September 6, 2025.



DOG DAY AT THE POOL

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Sunday, Sept. 7 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-12:55 p.m.

#DDAP223 Medium Sized Dogs (under 30-69 lbs.) 1-1:55 p.m.

#DDAP323 Large Sized Dogs (70 lbs. and up) 2-2:55 p.m.

The Last Dip

A FAREWELL SPLASH

JOIN US FOR A FINAL SWIM BEFORE OUR 1950'S ERA OAK PARK POOL GETS BUILT ANEW! HELP US CELEBRATE DECADES OF MEMORIES & MAKE A SPLASH INTO THE FUTURE OF COMMUNITY FUN.

SEPT. 6TH @ 1 P.M.

! OAK PARK COMMUNITY CENTER POOL
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- A big shout out to **Dedicated Senior Medical Centers** for our monthly "Birthday celebrations" where our seniors are treated to cupcakes, massages and more!
- Thank you to sponsors of the Oak Park Farmers Market: **Humana Inc, Dedicated Senior Medical Centers, Henry Ford Health, and COMCAST!**

Oak Park Low-Cost
Pet Immunization Clinic
Saturday, October 4 | 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Presented by All About Animals Rescue Michigan
www.AllAboutAnimalsRescue.org



Immunizations

Microchip Implants - \$20
Flu and Lyme (if available) - \$30
Heartworm Tests - \$20
Vaccines - \$10

Vaccines include Rabies, DHLPP for dogs, Bordetella, Distemper and Feline Leukemia

Animal Licenses

Cash/Check ONLY 💰

1 Year Dog / Cat License:
Spayed/Neutered - \$7
Non-Spayed/Neutered - \$16

3 Year Dog / Cat License:
Spayed/Neutered - \$15
Non-Spayed/Neutered - \$30

Must bring previous vaccination records to event. Avoid \$10 late fee by obtaining animal license by December 27. Cash and check only for license purchase.

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