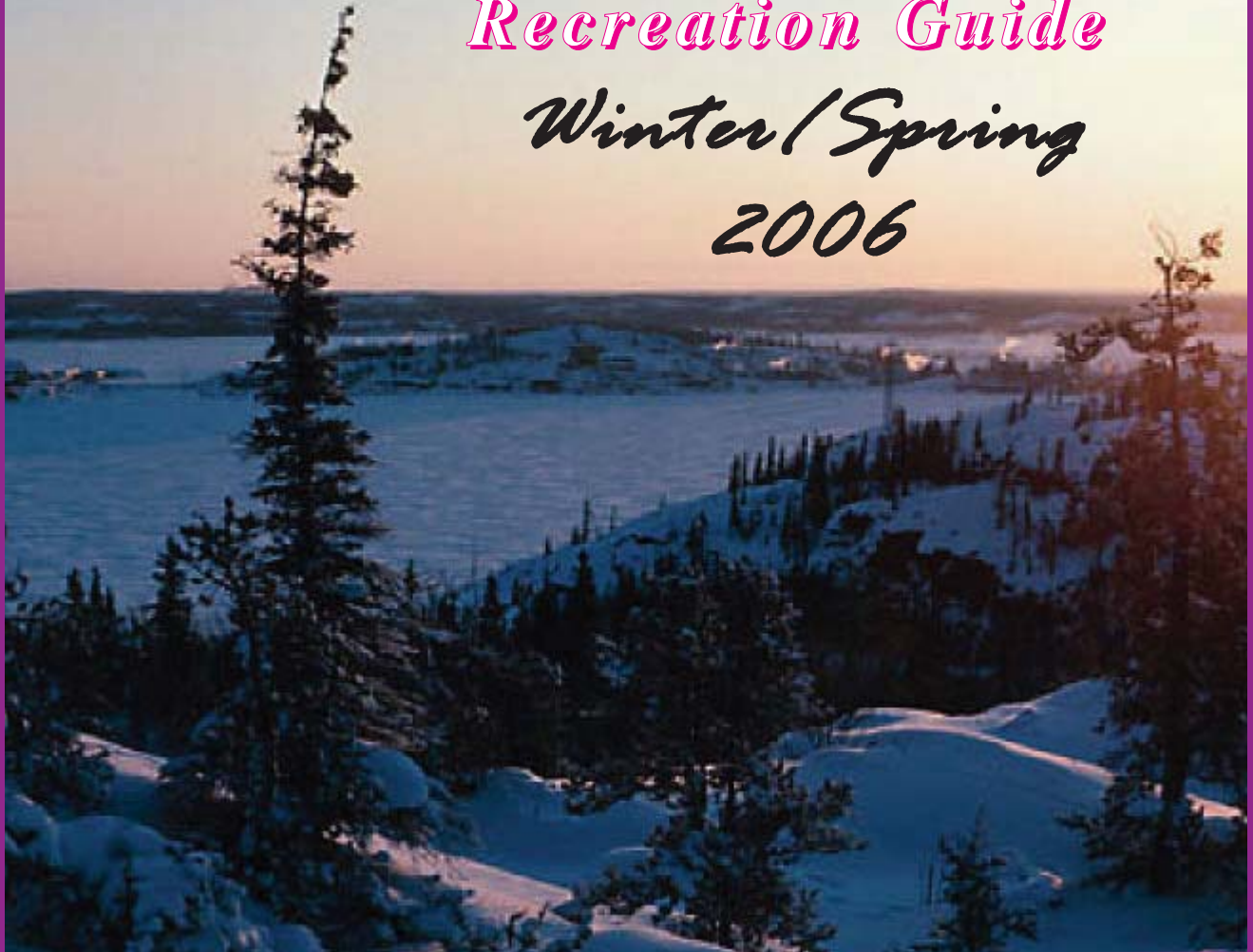


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Oak Creek City Newsletter
&
Recreation Guide
Winter/Spring
2006



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THE MAYOR'S DESK-DICK BOLENDER



Dear City of Oak Creek Residents,

The City of Oak Creek has now passed its 50th Birthday milestone. Residents and visitors helped to make this special celebration a great success. Thank you to all who participated and enjoyed the day's events!

Election dates for 2006 are Tuesday, February 21 (if required) and Tuesday, April 4. You will begin to see information regarding candidates who are seeking re-election or who are putting their name in the arena for the first time. Make sure you become informed on the issues facing the City of Oak Creek and the state. First and foremost: PLEASE VOTE! If you are a new resident to our community, contact the City Clerk's Office for voter registration information and for your polling site.

Changes are continuing to occur within our city. These changes include a new elementary school, new businesses, homes, and new recreational activities. The new skateboard park at East Middle School has been a great success. The kids enjoying this new facility have shown amazing skill and aptitude on their skateboards. Although the weather is a factor for use of this facility, stop by to see what our young people can do when the weather permits. The North Shore – Oak Leaf Trail bike path is nearing completion under Highway 100. Soon this trail will be open for biking, hiking, and/or cross-country skiing throughout the entire year.

Businesses on Howell Ave. and in other parts of the city are offering more and more shopping opportunities for its residents. Inquiries from prospective businesses continue to come to my office. Contact with these businesses has become a regular part of my day. I feel that Oak Creek needs to showcase its offerings of great locations to the many businesses that would like to locate in our area. Pick n' Save has now opened their third store. We will soon see the construction of a Woodman's Food Market on Howell Ave., an Ace Hardware, Taco Bell, Qdoba Mexican Grill, Panera Bread, Famous Footwear and Office Max.

Welcome to the several new places of worship that have recently come to Oak Creek. Some are nearing completion of their buildings, while others have identified their new locations with signs and information of their future plans.

Winter is now upon us with all of its beauty and

challenges. Our Street Department continues to be the best in the area when it comes to keeping our streets cleared and safe for travel. Make sure that you are aware of parking restrictions that are posted in various areas around the city. Ice skating in city parks is available when the ice is at a safe condition. Watch for posting of this information at each site.

Meetings with the Mayor continue to be held on the second Saturday of each month. Residents are encouraged to stop by the City Hall between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and noon to discuss any topic you wish to bring to the Mayor's attention. These meetings are one-on-one in the Mayor's office and are quite informal.

Enjoy the holiday season! Share with others the spirit of this season in any way that you are able. Continue to keep Oak Creek military personnel who are away from their families during this time of the year in your thoughts and prayers.

As always, I am wishing all of our residents a healthy and happy remainder of 2005. May the New Year bring all of us PEACE, HEALTH AND HAPPINESS!

REMEMBER: *"It's amazing how much can be accomplished when no one cares who gets the credit!"*

Dick



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CITY CELEBRATIONS FOR 2006!



4th of July

We are celebrating the 4th of July in style...Join us for the parade and all the festivities on Tuesday, July 4.

Summer Concert Series



June, July, August and September...get ready with your lawn chairs and picnic baskets...the concerts are back. Stay tuned for the line up!

City Pig Roast

September bring the pigs to the park for a tasty afternoon of food, music and fun for the family. Hope you join us again for this fun event!

Halloween

Little ghosts & goblins come out in October for a fun afternoon of Trick or Treat.



Veteran's Day Ceremony

A time to honor the men & women that have served & are currently serving our country. Please join us on Sat. November 11, 2006 at the Oak Creek Veteran's Memorial at 9 a.m.

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony 2006



Santa's in his sleigh . . .Come & join the fun of greeting Santa and enjoy the sounds of the holiday. Stay tuned for a date & time.

For updates to events, dates and times, please check out the City website-Current City Events at:

www.oakcreekwi.org

**Don't Hibernate this Winter
Join Parks & Recreation in the--
First Annual Arctic Blast**

**Family Ice Skating Day or
Family Kickball**

Arctic Blast Snow Sculpting Contest

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

A NEW VACCINE FOR YOUR TEEN!

Pertussis is a highly contagious respiratory tract infection, commonly known as “whooping cough”. Symptoms for adolescents range from mild cough illness to classic pertussis (coughing spasms, vomiting after cough, a long series of coughs followed by a whooping noise, difficulty catching breath). In 2003, in the U.S., adolescents, ages 11-18 years made up 26% of the total 11,647 reported pertussis cases. To protect adolescents, whose immunity from childhood vaccines is wearing off, a new vaccine, “Tdap”, was licensed this year to provide protection against tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis. The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practice (ACIP) recommends use of “Tdap” vaccine in 11-18 years olds in place of the Td booster (tetanus-diphtheria). As of this printing, the Oak Creek Health Department has not yet received a supply of Tdap. Check our website or call 768-6525 for availability and information. Also, check out the following web site: www.cdc.gov/nip/pr/pr_tdap_jun2005.htm

POWER SNOW THROWER/BLOWER SAFETY TIPS

A recent Consumer Product Safety Commission reported 15,823 injuries related to use of snow blowers. To ensure safety when using power snow blower equipment we recommend these safety guidelines:

- Do not put your hand in the snow blower to remove impacted snow or debris. Always stop the engine and wait more than five seconds. Use a solid object to clear wet snow and debris from the chute. Beware of the recoil of the motor and blades after the machine has been turned off.
- Never leave the snow blower unattended when it is running.
- Shut off the engine if you must walk away from the machine.
- Do not operate the snow blower in an enclosed area.
- Do not add any fuel when the engine is running or when it is hot. Add fuel before starting the engine.
- If you are operating an electric snow thrower, be aware of where the power cord is at all times.
- Individuals should avoid loose fitting clothing while operating machinery.



WINTER SPORTS – SLEDDING SAFETY

Adults should always supervise children while they are sledding.

- Make sure the hill is safe: that means a hill without obstacles in the sledding path, which doesn't end near a street, parking lot, pond, or other danger.
- Take time to avoid collisions.
- Children under age 12 should wear a fitted helmet while sledding.
- Never go down a hill headfirst; sit facing forward and steer.



- Use a sled that can steer – it's safer than flat sheets, toboggans or snow discs.
- If you want to go sledding in the evening, make sure the area is well lit.
- Wear warm and layered clothing to protect from injuries and the cold.

SAFE SNOW SHOVELING TIPS

Warm up your muscles in your arms and legs. Walk for a few minutes and stretch your arms and legs before shoveling.

- Warm muscles are less likely to be injured and work more efficiently.
- Take it slow! Pace yourself and take breaks.
- Don't pick up too much snow at once. Use a small shovel, or fill it only 1/4- to 1/2 if you use a large shovel.
- Push the snow as you shovel. It is easier on your back.
- Protect your back. Bend from the knees, not your back. Lift with your legs bent, stand with your feet about hip width for balance and keep the shovel close to your body. Try not to twist. If you need to move the snow to one side move your feet to face the direction the snow will be going.
- Most importantly – listen to your body! Stop if you feel very tired. Stop if you feel tightness in your chest.



2006 NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS—Pick one for your family!

- Decrease soda consumption
- Increase milk consumption
- Stick to a budget
- Increase consumption of fruits or vegetables--
- Exercise more



REIMBURSEMENT FOR CITY DAMAGE TO MAILBOXES

In 2001, the City of Oak Creek adopted a policy to reimburse property owners for mailbox damage caused by city vehicles such as snowplows. This policy limits the city's liability to \$150 upon presentation of receipts for replacement. If the mailbox was not installed according to city and post office standards, there will be no reimbursement. If the box was installed over the edge of the pavement or so low to the road that the snowplow blade couldn't pass under it, the property owner is responsible for repair/replacement. Contact the [Street Department at 768-6552](#) to request repair if a plow has damaged your mailbox. Claims for replacement may be submitted to the City Clerk's office for review by the Small Claims Committee.



HOLIDAY RUBBISH/RECYCLING DAYS

HOLIDAY RUBBISH / RECYCLING COLLECTION DAYS

HOLIDAY

DATE OF HOLIDAY

DATE OF PICK UP

Christmas Holiday

Mon. December 26, 2005

Thurs. December 22 (Routes #2 & #3)
Tues. December 27 (Route #1)

New Year Holiday

Mon. January 2, 2006

Thurs. December 29 (Routes #2 & #3)
Tues. January 3 (Route #1)

Questions? Call 768-6552 or 768-6553

FAIR HOUSING IS YOUR RIGHT

FAIR HOUSING IS YOUR RIGHT: PROTECT YOURSELF!

Seeking housing is never an easy task. For many Milwaukee County residents, illegal discrimination makes finding and keeping housing much more difficult than it should be. Housing discrimination is common, yet most people remain unaware of its prevalence. Equal housing opportunity – the idea that all people should have equal access to all the housing they can afford – is still an elusive dream for our community.

Fair housing laws make it illegal for housing providers (landlords, real estate agents, apartment managers, etc.) to discriminate based on any of the following categories:

- Race
- National origin/Ancestry
- Disability
- Sexual orientation
- Lawful source of income
- Family status (household composition, including presence of children)
- Sex
- Color
- Religion
- Marital status
- Age

Housing discrimination appears in many different forms. Sometimes housing providers discriminate overtly by making statements to applicants such as “we only rent to working people,” “no kids allowed,” or “we don’t rent to single moms.”

METROPOLITAN MILWAUKEE FAIR HOUSING COUNCIL

In this day and age, however, housing discrimination is often subtle and difficult to detect. Sometimes people leave an interaction with a housing provider not knowing that they were treated differently than other people because of their race, because they have kids or because they have a disability.

The following are some possible “red flags” that may indicate illegal discrimination:

- You called about an apartment for rent. You were told that it has been rented, but you continue to see that apartment advertised in the newspaper or with a “for rent” sign.
- You ask to make an appointment to see an apartment, and

the landlord tells you that you must bring your entire family along.

- A landlord or apartment manager gives you confusing or contradictory information.
- You are told of extremely long waiting lists.
- You are told that you don’t meet a housing provider’s eligibility criteria, but the provider won’t tell you what the eligibility requirements are.
- A landlord, rental manager, or real estate agent doesn’t return your phone calls.
- Your lease is non-renewed for no apparent reason.
- Your landlord refuses to allow you to make modifications to your apartment to make it physically accessible for you.



If you’re concerned that you may have experienced a violation of fair housing law, there are ways to address the problem. Victims of housing discrimination have the right to pursue complaints in public administrative agencies, such as the Wisconsin Equal Rights Division. People with housing discrimination complaints may also file lawsuits in state or federal court.

If you have any questions regarding housing discrimination, fair housing laws and what your options may be for pursuing a complaint of housing discrimination, call the **Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council at 278-1240**.

The Fair Housing Council offers many helpful services, including:

- Counseling for persons alleging housing discrimination.
- Investigations on behalf of victims of housing discrimination.
- Assistance in filing fair housing complaints with an administrative agency or in a court of law.

In addition, the Fair Housing Council provides educational presentations to neighborhood groups, civic and religious organizations, social service agencies, community centers and other groups that are interested in learning more about fair housing law and housing discrimination. **Please call Felita Daniels Ashley at 414-278-1240 to schedule a presentation.**

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE

2005 REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX BILLS

Please read carefully for IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND CHANGES for payment of property tax bills.

For **PERMANENT ADDRESS CHANGES**, please contact our Assessor's Office at (414) 768-6506. No changes will be made by the Treasurer's Office after the tax roll is complete. Each year tax bills are mailed to the permanent mailing address on record, unless you call the Treasurer's Office at (414) 768-6501, with a **SPECIAL MAILING ADDRESS REQUEST** before the tax bills are mailed, even if you have requested a special mailing in the past.

CHECK(S) should be payable to Treasurer, or City of Oak Creek. Checks not properly completed or endorsed may be returned unprocessed and your taxes could become delinquent. Receipts are not valid until the check clears our bank. Any check returned from the bank for non sufficient funds, account closed, stop payment or stale date is subject to a \$25.00 recovery fee and the applicable payment will be void. We must receive a full replacement payment and recovery fee, with cash or certified funds, by the original due date to avoid delinquent charges.

The date of payment from **ESCROW ACCOUNTS** is determined by the signed agreement you have with your bank. Please check your agreement or call your bank to verify that your **ESCROW CHECK** will be mailed on time.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

BY MAIL,

- ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31st, please use the green P. O. Box envelope enclosed with your tax bill. Any envelopes addressed to the P. O. Box postmarked after January 31st will be returned to sender unprocessed and your taxes could become delinquent.

- AFTER JANUARY 31st, mail must be addressed to: Treasurer, City of Oak Creek, 8640 S. Howell Ave., Oak Creek, WI 53154.

When mailing a personal check, an escrow check that is first mailed to you for endorsement, or when an escrow check is mailed from a bank or other payment service directly to the City of Oak Creek, a **PAYMENT IS TIMELY IF ALL** of the following criteria are met:

- it is mailed to the City of Oak Creek in a properly addressed envelope,
- *postmarked before midnight of the last date prescribed for making the payment,
- with postage prepaid, and
- is received by the proper official not more than 5 days after the prescribed date for making the payment.

DRIVE-UP 24-HOUR DEPOSITORY, located at City Hall on the east side of the south parking lot. **NO CASH PLEASE!**

RECEIPTS

To receive a receipt for payment made via US mail or depository, please include your original tax bill, a copy of your tax bill or a self-addressed envelope with your payment. We will return your tax bill with your receipt.

IN PERSON AT THE FOLLOWING FIVE TRI CITY BANK LOCATIONS THROUGH JANUARY 31ST ONLY. You will receive a **RECEIPT** from the bank. **IMMEDIATE REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT** is given when payment is made at the bank.

S. 27th St. & College Ave.; and W. Ryan Rd. near S. 27th St.
Monday thru Friday 9 am – 6 pm, Saturday 9 am – 12 noon; except, Dec. 24th & 31st, 9 am – noon; and closed on Dec. 25th & 26th, Jan. 1st & 2nd

Mega Mall Pick 'n Save store (corner of Puetz Rd. & Howell Ave.), Pick 'n Save store (S. 27th St. near College Ave.) and the NEW MegaMall Pick'n Save store (corner of Ryan Rd. & 27th St.)

Monday thru Sunday 10 am – 8 pm; except, Dec. 24th, 10 am – 2 pm; and closed on Dec. 25th & Jan. 1st

IN PERSON AT CITY HALL, 8640 S. Howell Avenue.

Normal business hours are Monday thru Friday, 8 am to 5 pm. (Please note the following exceptions)

- On Friday, Dec. 30th, the Treasurer's Office will be open from 9 am to 12 Noon for tax payments only (no other payments will be accepted). Please use the east entrance that day; all other entrances will be locked.
- We will be closed on Friday, Dec. 23rd, Monday, Dec. 26th, Saturday, Dec. 31st and Monday, Jan. 2nd. Please use one of the other payment options listed when we are closed.

BEFORE stepping into the payment line:

- please have all checks completed and;
- bring your tax bill(s) with you or have your parcel number(s) available.
- Otherwise, we will take care of the next person in line while you prepare your payment. If needed, a computer with an instruction sheet will be available for you to look up your parcel number(s).

OVERPAYMENTS

• For overpayments at City Hall, cash refunds will be given up to \$20. No cash refunds will be given on personal checks. Any overpayments over \$20, a refund check will be mailed three to four weeks from payment date. To receive a refund immediately for an overpayment over \$20, please make your payment at one of the five Tri City Banks.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE

All refunds by check will be made payable to the Payer, even if your mortgage company makes a payment from your escrow account after you have made payment in full.

Please, if at all possible, take advantage of the U.S. Mail, the drive-up 24-hour depository, or any of the five Tri City bank locations to avoid waiting in long lines at City Hall.

PAYMENT DEADLINES

PAID IN FULL – PAYMENT IS DUE JANUARY 31, 2006.

INSTALLMENT OPTION, all payments must be made as listed below. If you choose the installment payment option, please note the due dates on your calendar as we do not send reminder notices.

- **FIRST INSTALLMENT** – 50% of net real estate tax plus all special charges due on or before January 31st
- **SECOND INSTALLMENT** – 25% of net real estate tax due on or before March 31st
- **THIRD INSTALLMENT** – 25% of net real estate tax due on or before May 31st

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX

Wis. Stats. 74.09 Property tax bill and related information – (6) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO RECEIVE. Failure to receive a property tax bill does not affect the validity of the general property taxes, special taxes, special charges and special assessments levied or the collection of delinquent general property taxes, special taxes, special charges and special assessments.

Any payment not made on or before its due date will result in delinquency of the entire unpaid principal balance. Taxes are considered delinquent if payment is received in person, in the drop box, or *post-marked, after the due date. The *postmark governs the date of payment – NOT the date on your check. There is no grace period. All DELINQUENT TAX will accumulate INTEREST AND PENALTY charges from February 1st at 1½ percent per month on the unpaid principal balance, regardless of when it becomes delinquent. Delinquent notices for 2005 Real Estate Property Tax will be mailed to the address on record in June 2006. Payment of delinquent 2005 Real Estate Property Tax will be accepted by the City of Oak Creek through July 31, 2006, after which will be turned over to Milwaukee County for collection.

Payment of PRIOR YEAR(S) DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX must be made to MILWAUKEE COUNTY. Please contact the Milwaukee County Treasurer's Office at (414) 278-4030 for more details.

LOTTERY AND GAMING CREDIT

Those who qualify are owners of a home in Wisconsin who used the home as their primary residence on January 1 (Certification Date) of the year in which property taxes are levied. Primary residence is defined as the home where an individual lives more than six months of the year.

If you did not receive the Lottery and Gaming Credit in 2004 and are eligible for the credit in 2005, please complete a form which is available on the website at <http://www.oakcreekwi.org>. The link for the lottery credit form can be accessed from the Treasurer's Office page under City Departments. Lottery credit forms are also available at the City of Oak Creek Treasurer's Office. Please include a completed form with your tax payment and you may deduct the credit from your first payment (the amount of the credit is available on the Treasurer's page of the website). We must receive the completed form no later than January 31, 2006 for us to apply the lottery and gaming credit to your 2005 property tax bill.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION/CHANGES

There is a \$.25 charge for additional copies of tax bills. Beginning with 2003, tax information is available on the Oak Creek website – <http://www.oakcreekwi.org>. From the homepage, click on Property Tax and Assessment Information (Land Records Search). You may search by parcel number, name, or address. If you do not have internet service, computers and copy machines are available at the Oak Creek Public Library (north of City Hall). Additional up to date Treasurer's information may be found on the City website by clicking the applicable link found under City Departments and then Treasurer's Office. You will also receive a pamphlet with your tax bill containing additional information. Please take the time to read the important information we provide to you and avoid any unnecessary delays in the processing of your payment, which could result in delinquent tax. Thank you and have a wonderful Holiday Season!

CHILD SAFETY SEAT INSPECTIONS

The Oak Creek Fire Department offers free child safety seat inspections for Oak Creek residents. Safety seat checks are conducted at Fire Station #3 (7000 S. 6th Street) by appointment. If you wish to request an inspection, contact:



Anna Kelly at 570-5630

Sorry, no walk-ins. Inspections are limited to Oak Creek residents.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

EMERGENCY EVACUATION CHECKLIST

During an emergency, people may be asked to leave their homes, schools, and businesses. Are you prepared? Do you have what you need if you are asked to leave your home immediately? If so, have you coordinated and practiced your emergency plan with friends and family?

The Oak Creek Fire Department, Milwaukee County Emergency Management, and the Red Cross encourage families to develop an evacuation kit that includes a **three day supply** of the following materials (for each family member).

We have formulated this simple checklist to help you plan your evacuation. Hopefully, if needed, this checklist will help you prepare essential items in advance.

General items:

- Prescription medications (portable oxygen if medically needed)
- House & car keys
- Photocopies of identification and credit cards
- Checkbook and cash (including coins)
- Dentures, hearing aids, & eyeglasses
- Flashlight and radio (with extra batteries)
- Change of clothing (season appropriate)
- First aid kit & a copy of medical records
- Three gallons of water/ per person
- Three day supply non-perishable food & a manual can opener
- Blankets/ pillows/ sleeping bags
- Sanitation/hygiene items (hand sanitizer, moist towelettes, toilet paper)
- Area map
- Cell Phone & emergency contact telephone numbers

Special items for infants:

- Formula, bottles & food (if breast feeding, consider manual breast pump)
- Diapers & wipes
- Pacifiers & two small toys
- Consider a portable crib

Considerations for pets:

With the exception of service animals, pets will not be allowed in shelter sites. Pet owners should make arrangements with family, friends, kennels, veterinarians, or "pet friendly" hotels.

- Medicine
- Cage/ leash
- Pet food
- Copies of vaccination records

Supplies for your vehicle:

- Flashlight with extra batteries
- First aid kit
- White distress flag
- Tire repair kit, jumper cables, air pump, flares
- Bottled water, non-perishable snack bars
- Seasonal supplies (blanket, hat/ mittens, shovel, windshield scraper, sunscreen, umbrella)

Emergency Contact:

When considering your emergency contacts, pick people who live out-of-town. During a disaster, local phone service could be affected. Your best bet is to call someone who will not be affected by interrupted phone service. Then, if you are ever separated from your family, everyone in your family should know to call the emergency contact(s). Your emergency contact can then work on getting your family back together.

More information about disaster preparedness is available at the Red Cross <http://www.redcross.org/images/pdfs/preparedness/A4600.pdf>

RETIREMENT

We would like to wish Pete Ratz well as he begins his retirement from the Oak Creek Fire Department. Pete hung up his helmet in July, ending a 31-year career that began in 1974. Pete was a pioneer in many aspects. Early in his career, Pete became one of the first Emergency Medical Technicians in the State of Wisconsin. Later, in 2000, Pete was among the first in Oak Creek to earn his paramedic license. In addition to his emergency medical accomplishments, Pete enjoyed the physically demanding work of fire fighting and worked hard to promote physical fitness. We will miss Pete's experience and would like to thank him for his many years of service.

NEW HIRE

In August, Oak Creek resident, Jim Weiss, became our newest fire fighter. Jim graduated from Thomas More High School in 1998, went on to UW Parkside to earn his Business Management degree in 2003, and began fire service training through Milwaukee Area Technical College. Jim holds his associate degree in Fire Science, he is a Fire Fighter Level II, Haz Mat operator, Emergency Medical Technician, and Driver Operator. Jim gained valuable work experience through the New Berlin Fire Department as a paid-on-call fire fighter. We would like to welcome Jim to the Oak Creek Fire Department family and we wish him a successful career.



WEB PAGE

Lieutenant Mike Kressuk has been working hard on perfecting the Fire Department's web page. "The page will be a valuable tool for Oak Creek residents," says Oak Creek Fire Chief Gerard Hammernik. "The page provides important information about fire safety, public education programs, code enforcement, and more."

Please take the time to visit our web page by going through the city of Oak Creek's website at www.oakcreekwi.org. Once you are at the City's home page, click on City Departments and then click on Fire Department. We are working hard to keep information up-to-date. If there is something that you would like to see on the web page, please contact Lieutenant Kressuk at: mkressuk@oakcreekwi.org.



OAK CREEK PUBLIC LIBRARY

WINTER 2006 STORY TIME



Preschool Story Time (ages 3-5)
January 18 – March 8
Wednesdays 10:30-11:15;
1:30-2:15; 6:00-6:45
In-person registration begins
Wednesday, January 4, 2006 10:00 a.m.

SPRING 2006 TODDLER TIME

Toddler Time (ages 18-35 months)
March 22-April 12
Wednesdays 10:15-10:45; 11:15-11:45
In-person-registration begins
Wednesday, March 8, 2006 10:00 a.m.



Oak Creek residents have first priority.
For more information contact
Oak Creek Public Library 764-4400



NEW GENEALOGY DATABASES AVAILABLE

Oak Creek Library patrons now have two new genealogy databases to help with their family history searches.

HeritageQuest Online offers users outstanding search capabilities including: United States census with original images; genealogy and local history book collection; *Periodical Source Index (PERSIL)* covering genealogy and local history periodicals written in English and French (Canada); Revolutionary War era pension records and *Freedman;s Bank Records*, an African American source. This database is available in the library and by remote access around the clock.



Ancestry Library Edition is a companion database with search capabilities including: United Kingdom and Ireland census; Social Security Death Index; military records from the Civil War through the Korean Conflict; and many other sources.

These valuable genealogy databases are provided through funding by the *Friends Of The Oak Creek Public Library*.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

CAN CARS CAUSE WATER POLLUTION?

We have all seen how a bright fresh new snow turns dirty and dark in areas near roads and parking lots after only a couple of days. This is just one way to visualize the effects of some of the pollution left by our cars and trucks. Each time it snows again, a fresh new layer covers the old grimy layer, until layers of pollution are trapped within the snow banks. Once spring comes, the pollution and particles trapped in the layer of snow will wash with the snow melt into our streams, rivers and lakes. What does not wash off with the snow melt itself, will be left on the pavement until the next rain storm comes along to wash it clean.

Take a look at a parking lot the next time it rains. During the early part of the rain, you may notice an oily sheen, green streaks of leaked antifreeze, and dark gritty particles in the puddles. Look again after it has rained for a while, and you may notice that the oily sheen is no longer there, and the puddles no longer look gritty. Most of us don't stop to think that the ground now looks so clean only because the pollution has been washed away by the rain water, and carried along with the rain water into the storm sewers and ditches, which empty into our lakes and streams with no treatment to remove these pollutants first.



We all know that when the tread on our tires wears away, we need to replace them. What we don't usually think about is that all the rubber from the tire tread is left on the roads, parking lots, and driveways in the form of small rubber particles. These get washed away during rain storms, and are deposited into our rivers and lakes. Tiny bits of brake pads and rusted metal from cars also get washed into the waterways.

If you change your own oil, do not dump it into a storm drain. Just five quarts of oil from a single oil change can create an oil slick the size of two football fields, or pollute a million gallons of drinking water.¹ Recycling is the only safe way to dispose of used motor oil.

The City has initiated a program to identify and prevent illicit discharges throughout the City. City staff are visually inspecting outfalls throughout the City, and conducting chemical sampling if a dry weather flow is present. Most dry weather flows are from sources such as sump pump discharges or lawn sprinklers. However, if the testing shows a parameter is present that indicates illicit discharge, further investigation will be conducted to find and eliminate the source of the illicit discharge. This is one of the ways in which the City is working to protect and improve the quality of our water resources.

¹ UWEX Publication "Can Cars Cause Water Pollution?"

POLICE DEPARTMENT

PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The Police Department would like to remind all citizens that winter parking restrictions are in effect until April 1st. During this time, there is no parking allowed on the streets in the City of Oak Creek during the following hours:



- Monday thru Friday from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m.
- Saturday & Sunday from 2:30 a.m. to 6 a.m.

Permission may be granted by the Police Department (on a day-to-day basis) for exceptions to this during emergencies, if a vehicle becomes disabled, or if there is an overnight guest.

UTILITY PROBLEMS

During severe weather, the Police Department receives an abundance of telephone calls from residents wishing to report utility problems. These problems should be reported directly to the respective utility company at the following 24-hour phone numbers: See back cover of *Acorn* for Utility Phone Number Listings.

SNOW & ICE REMOVAL

Citizens are reminded that it is the responsibility of the owner or occupant of property abutting or fronting public sidewalks to remove all snow and ice within 24 hours after a snow fall. If the ice cannot be removed, salt or other similar substance must be spread to eliminate the hazard to pedestrian traffic. In addition, directing sump pump, watershed or rain gutter spouts onto the sidewalk or roadway is against City Ordinance.



Also, for those who plow their driveway or use a snow blower, remember it is illegal to push or blow snow into the street or dump it onto any public ground.

OAK CREEK CRIME STOPPERS

The Oak Creek Police Department is always looking for your help solving crimes. You can remain 100% anonymous and receive a reward for your tip. Crime Stoppers also sponsors a "Quick 50" program in the middle schools and high school. Students remain anonymous when calling in "tips" and can receive a \$50 reward for any information leading to the confiscation of *drugs, alcohol or weapons* on school property with an arrest of the offender(s).

Call the **Crime Stoppers hotline at 766-7699** and help keep our community a safe place to live. Donations are always welcome. Look for donation boxes for the Crime Stoppers Program at various businesses throughout the City.

AUTOMATED PHONE ATTENDANT

The Police Department has installed an automated phone attendant when you call (414) 762-8200. If you are hearing-impaired calls utilizing a TDD system they must call in on (414) 766-6600.

Please share this information with friends, neighbors and relatives that are hearing impaired.

ILLEGAL U-TURNS

The Oak Creek Police Department has seen an increase in illegal U-turns, specifically at controlled intersections. All drivers are reminded that, according to the State of Wisconsin Traffic Code, a U-turn at any intersection at which traffic is being controlled by traffic control signals or by a traffic officer is illegal. If a driver is cited for this violation, they will be subjected to a \$78.50 fine and 3 points for the first offense. Second offense violations will be subject to a \$116 fine and 3 points.



Please be aware that making a U-turn at a controlled intersection is a very dangerous maneuver and could cause an accident with oncoming vehicles.

TRANSIENT MERCHANTS

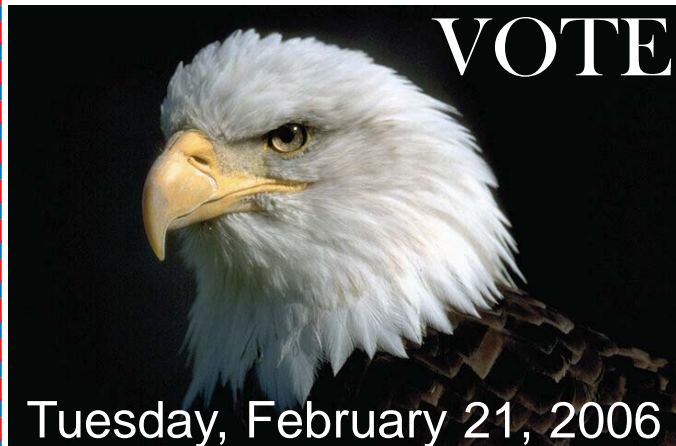
According to the Municipal Code, all persons going door-to-door soliciting must be licensed by the City of Oak Creek and must wear a photo ID badge. Non-profit and charitable organizations are not required to be licensed, but must be registered at the Police Department. If you are aware of someone soliciting without proper identification, please contact the Police Department at 762-8200.

BLOCK PARTIES

If you are planning to hold a "block party", please be aware that City officials require approval. You will need to stop by the City Clerk's office approximately two weeks (or more) in advance to fill out an application, along with a map detailing where the party is to be held. The Police, Fire and Street Departments, along with the Alderperson of your district, require approval. No fee is required.

If barricades will be needed to block off a portion of the street, you will be responsible for pickup and delivery from the Street Division, 800 W. Puetz Rd., 570-5682, before 3 p.m. Friday.

NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION



The **SPRING PRIMARY ELECTION** will be held Tuesday, February 21, 2006, if required, and the **SPRING GENERAL ELECTION** will be held Tuesday, April 4, 2006. Local offices up for election are:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>
Mayor	Richard R. Bolender
City Clerk	Beverly A. Buretta
City Treasurer	Barbara Guckenberger
Municipal Judge	Alice Rudebusch
Aldersperson, 2 nd District	Allan M. Foeckler
Aldersperson, 4 th District	Michael E. Toman
Aldersperson, 6 th District	Stephen R. Jonas
Any referenda items, if required.	

All offices are for two-year terms, except the Mayor, which is a three-year term.

VOTER REGISTRATION

The State of Wisconsin may implement changes to voter registration requirements. Currently, a qualified elector must be:

- at least 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen
- a resident of the City for at least 10 days prior to registering to vote

You must present a form of ID showing proof of residence, such as a current Wisconsin driver's license. The City Clerk's office can provide you with a list of acceptable forms of identification.

You may register to vote:

City Hall Clerk's Office
Monday through Friday
8 AM to 5 PM

Library
during regular business hours

Please call the City Clerk's Office at 768-6500 with questions about your correct voting district/ward, for absentee ballot information, or for registration by mail. Information is also available on the City's website at www.oakcreekwi.org



OAK CREEK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Historical Society museum complex at 15th Avenue & Forest Hill Avenue will reopen for the season on Memorial Day with free tours from 10 AM to 2 PM. The pioneer village consists of six historically furnished buildings and will be available to the public for free tours every summer Sunday from 2 to 4 PM until Labor Day. For further questions, please call (414) 761-2572 or visit our website at:



<http://ochistorical.freeservers.com>

Questions or concerns about construction at the Oak Creek Power Plant?

Call:
(414) 491-8416

Need more information on the construction project?

Visit:
www.powerthefuture.net

Lost power or smell gas?
(800) 662-4PWR (4794) electric
(800) 261-LEAK (5325) gas

FORESTRY & PARKS

MUCH ADO ABOUT COTTONWOOD

Eastern cottonwood (*Populus deltoids*) is a tree in the willow family and more narrowly related to the poplars. Named after its cottony fruit that disperses late May to July. It easily maintains a presence in the suburban landscape because of its ability to naturalize and to tolerate adverse conditions, including urban conditions such as soil compaction, contaminants and disturbance. Often times it is these low-ground trees that remain after development because wetlands are not to be disturbed during development.



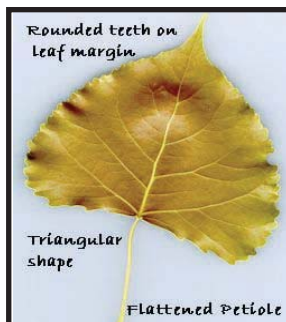
Cottonwood can be a very aggressive tree, sending out root sprouts from even a dead trunk and, capable of growing more than five feet a year. Fast growth usually translates into brittle, weak wood and cottonwood is no exception.



Cottonwood is associated with wet areas, river bottoms and prairie, in its natural habitat, but will live well on upland soils. It can survive floods and its thick

bark is fire tolerant, a prairie-sustaining natural phenomenon. Its massiveness can be impressive in the plains states. My favorite in this area is at the entrance to the McKinnley Arena on Lake Drive. There it has a bluff buffer between a parkway area and the multifamily residential neighborhood of Prospect Avenue. I'm not sure that I ever saw it produce cotton. Perhaps it is a natural male cultivar. Speaking of cotton... Each year, City Forestry receives a flood of residential complaints regarding cottonwood trees. In fact, no other tree species generates anywhere near the complaints.

In Oak Creek, as in most Wisconsin communities, cottonwood is not illegal. Often times the tree was there before the house. However, when it comes to selecting trees for your yard and getting along with some neighbors, cottonwood is not a good selection. According to the horticultural world guru Michael Dirr, "...impressive in river bottoms and should remain there."



EMERALD ASH BORER UPDATE

The Emerald ash borer (EAB), an invasive asian beetle that has established well in the state of Michigan, is slowly crossing the line. Also found in parks of Ontario, Canada, Ohio and Indiana. This summer it was



Adult Emerald Ash Borer



Emerald Ash Borer Larvae

found in the upper peninsula of Michigan. At this time, no chemical treatments are known to keep EAB from attacking trees. Stay tuned. One way you can help slow the spread is to refrain from moving wood from the northern

Wisconsin/UP border to outside areas.

To track changes in the Emerald Ash Borer spread, check out: www.emeraldashborer.info

FORESTRY QUESTIONS?

Contact Rebecca Lane, City Forester at (414) 768-5861 or rlane@oakcreekwi.org

PARKS

RESERVATIONS / PERMITS

The following may be reserved by Oak Creek residents. *Proof of residency is required.* Any non-reserved facility such as picnic areas, courts & fields (except Henry Miller Park Pavilion) may be used on a first-come, first-served basis without a permit. Note: The permit holder receives priority for the rented facility.

BALLFIELDS, PICNIC AREAS, TENNIS COURTS/FOOTBALL & SOCCER FIELDS--\$3/HR:

Rental does not include equipment, etc. Call for league, tournament & special event rates.

OPEN AIR SHELTER: (OAK LEAF & JOHNSTONE PARK)

Up to 4 hours \$10 Daily(over 4 hrs) \$20

VOLLEYBALL SETS OR THROW BASES:

Limited availability, call in advance to reserve.

- \$10/weekend (Fri/Sat/Sun) Late fee: \$5 per day
- \$5/daily (Monday thru Thursday) Late fee: \$5 per day
- All rentals require \$15 refundable security deposit

PARKS

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:

The possession, sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages &/or drugs is not allowed in parks, buildings, tennis courts, ballfields or any athletic field areas, etc.

BEER PERMIT--FEE \$10:

Beer permits may be purchased which allows the consumption of beer by adults aged 21 & over when one of our facilities is rented (i.e. Miller Park shelter). No other alcoholic beverages may be consumed such as liquor, wine coolers, etc.

HENRY MILLER PARK PAVILION:

Oak Creek residents may rent Henry Miller Park Pavilion for your special events.

- **2006** Reservations open on **Tuesday, January 3, 2006.**
- \$80 rental fee plus \$40 refundable security deposit for Friday thru Sunday *including holiday rentals.* (\$40 refund if cancelled prior to 30 days of the event).
- \$40 rental fee for Monday thru Thursday plus \$40 cash refundable security deposit (non-refundable if cancelled)
- Pavilion rental hours are from 10 AM to 10 PM

MILWAUKEE COUNTY BIKE TRAIL CONSTRUCTION-UPDATE

The North Shore Trail-Root River Extension that currently connects the North Shore Bike Trail at County Line Road, extends west using County Line Road and Milwaukee County parklands has been extended west from the East Randy Road subdivision connection to Howell Avenue. The North Shore box culvert project will allow bicycles to travel under Highway 100 when biking to the North Shore-Oak Leaf trail. The box culvert is presently being constructed, but don't look for the project to be completed and the trail open until early 2006.



GREENLAWN PARK BIKE TRAILHEAD PARKING LOT

The City developed an eight parking stall parking lot at Greenlawn Park at 7628 South Howell Avenue to serve the Oak Leaf Bike Trail segment that starts at the Manitoba Avenue cul-de-sac.

SKATE PARK



The Oak Creek Skate Park is located on the east side of the East Middle School building, 9330 S. Shepard Avenue.

The installation of the skate park components was completed in

September of 2005 & the skate park is currently open for use from sunrise (no earlier than 6 AM) to dusk. The facility is closed on school days from sunrise to 4 PM. The facility is for skateboarding, inline skating and BMX bikes only (street bicycles are prohibited).

Please read and follow the skate park guidelines posted on the fence near the skate park entrance. For further information and photographs of the skate park, please check out our webpage at www.oakcreekwi.org.

SOUTH HILLS PARK:

Park facilities developed include an early childhood and school age playstructure, swings, sledding hill, ballfield backstop installed, playfield, sand volleyball court, tennis courts, small parking lot and asphalt recreation trail.

Park facilities scheduled for development in 2006 include ballfield infield, open shelter and basketball court (reinstallation of standards needed).

CAMELOT PARK:

Park facilities developed include an early childhood and school age playstructure, swings, ballfield backstop installed, playfield, small parking lot and asphalt recreation trail.

Park facilities scheduled for development in 2006 include ballfield infield, possible grass reseeded and basketball court (reinstallation of standards needed).

ABENDSCHEIN COMMUNITY PARK DEVELOPMENT & DISC GOLF COURSE:

The Common Council approved partial development of Phase I of Abendschein Community Park in 2006. The Parks, Recreation & Forestry Commission will be prioritizing Phase I park facilities development in January & February 2006. Whether the disc golf course is developed as planned, gets partially relocated within the park or relocated to another site will be determined during the prioritization discussions.

Please see pages 14 & 15 of the winter/spring "Acorn" for specific locations of park facilities in Oak Creek.

For further information on parks, permits or rentals, contact Parks & Rec at 768-6515 or visit us on the web at: www.oakcreekwi.org.

FACILITIES LISTS: Parks, Playgrounds & Schools



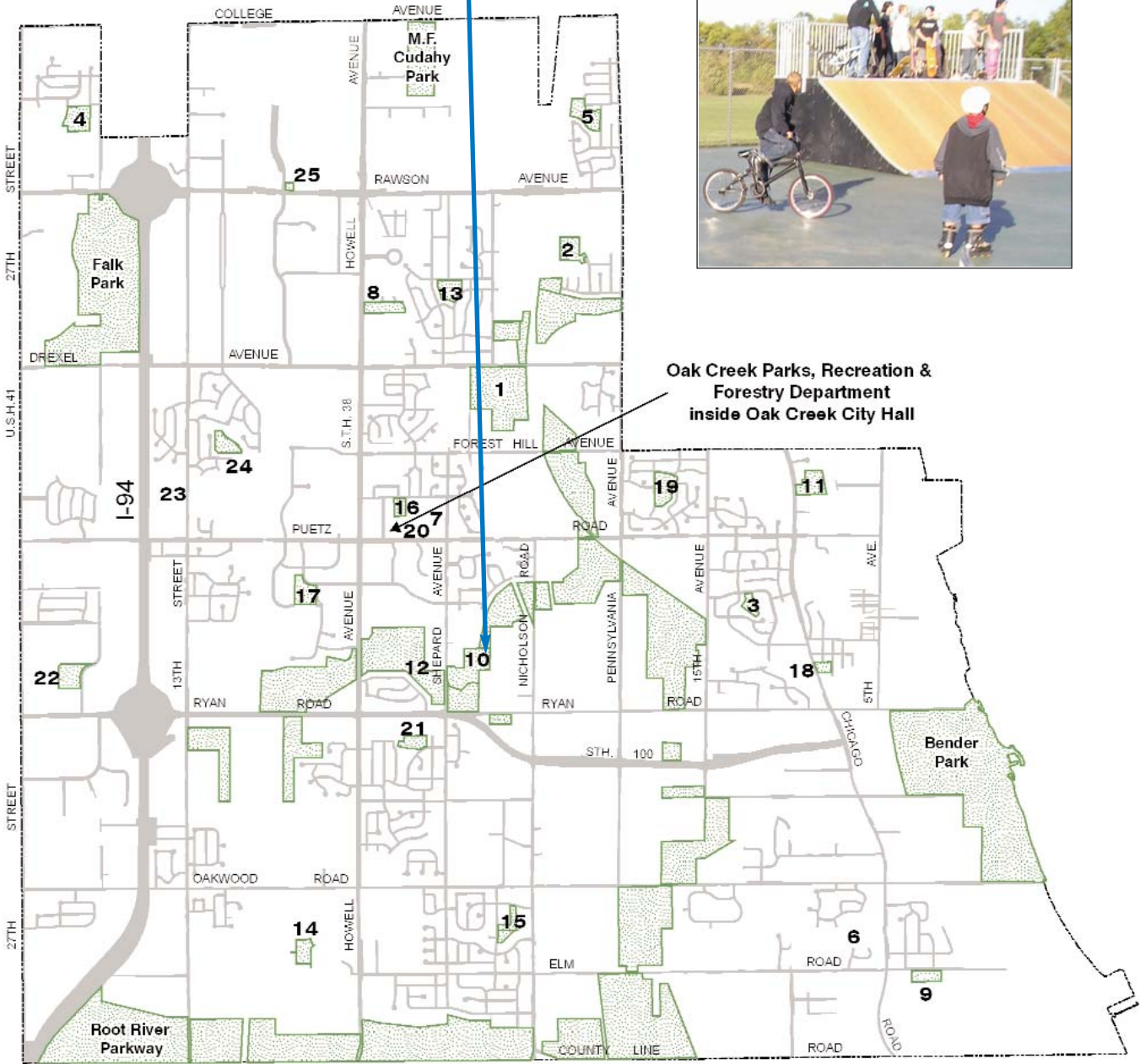
Camelot Park- #25 on map

“The best part of the park is the playground equipment” says Jillian & Stephanie

Site	Address	Shelter (o-open air, b-bldg)	Indoor Pool	Tennis Courts	Basketball (c-crts, s-standard)	Volleyball (s-sand)	Ballfield (s-softball, b-baseball)	Picnic Facilities	Misc: Pond (p), Disc Golf-undeveloped (gu)	Playground Eqpt.	Baby (bucket) swings	Vehicle Parking	Sledding Hill	Ice Rink	Health Stations (Partial)	Nature Area	Open Play Area	Recreational Pathway (est. size-miles)	Non-motorized	Undeveloped Park &/or School Site	Soccer (s) / Football (f) fields	Skate Park
1 Abendschein Park	1311 E. Drexel Ave.						1B		GU			•					•					s
2 Camelot Park	7385 S. Chapel Dr.				1C		1S			•	•	•						•	0.40			
3 Carrollton School Park	8965 S. Carrollton Dr.			2	2C		1S			•	•							•	0.53			
4 Cedar Hills School	2225 W. Sycamore Ave.				2C					•	•							•				
Johnstone Park		O				s	2S	•		•	•							•				
5 Chapel Hills Park	2015 E. Oak St.			2	1C	s	1S			•	•		•					•	0.62			
6 Deerfield School	3871 Bluestem Dr.									•												
7 Edgewood School	8545 S. Shepard Ave.				1C,1S					•	•							•				
8 Greenlawn Park	7628 S. Howell Ave.							•										•				
9 Haas Park	4200 E. Elm Rd.				2S	s	1S			•	•	•							•			
10 East Middle School	9330 S. Shepard Ave.						3S					•						•	0.80			•
Oak Park					2C,2S					•	•	•						•				
11 Kickers Creek Park	8460 S. Chicago Rd.											•										s
12 Lower Legion Park	9145 S. Shepard Ave.						1S	•				•										
13 Manor Marquette Park	700 E. Marquette Ave.			2	1C	•	1S			•	•		•					•	0.41			
14 Mardeand Park	10500 Glen Oaks Dr.																					•
15 Meadowview School Park	10420 S. McGraw Dr.			2	1C,2S	s	1S			•	•							•	0.45			
16 Henry Miller Park	315 E. Groveland Dr.	B						•	P				•					•				
17 Oak Leaf Park	401 W. Centennial Dr.	O		2	1C	s	1S	•		•	•							•	0.50			
18 Otjen Park	9300 S. Chicago Rd.				1C,1S					•	•	•						•				
19 Riverton Meadows Park	2800 E. Honeysuckle Dr.				1C	s	1S			•	•	•						•	0.58			
20 Senior High School	340 E. Puetz Rd.	•	9				3S				•							•				
21 Shepard Hills School Park	530 E. Shepard Hills Dr.				4S		2S			•	•							•				
22 South Hills Parks	9299 S. 22nd St.			2	1C	s	1S			•	•	•	•					•	0.30			
23 West Middle School	8401 S. 13th St.										•							•				s
24 Willow Heights Park	1111 W. Weatherly Dr.			2	1C	•	1S	•		•	•	•		•				•	0.41			
25 Veterans Memorial Park	552 W. Rawson Avenue																					

FACILITIES MAP: Parks, Playgrounds & Schools

Oak Creek Skate Park
 9390 S. Shepard Avenue
 Map Location #10



Oak Creek Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department
 inside Oak Creek City Hall

PET LICENSE INFORMATION

ATTENTION NEW RESIDENTS AND NEW PET OWNERS:

Wisconsin State Statutes, Section 174 makes it mandatory for pets to be licensed.

The City of Oak Creek requires a license for dogs and cats over five months of age. License applications are available at the Oak Creek Treasurer's Office. Residents must provide a current certificate of rabies vaccination (showing the tag number and the expiration date) at the time of licensing. You may mail in the certificate along with your application and fee, and it will be returned with your license. The license year commences January 1 and ends December 31. Beginning April 1, a late fee will be assessed except for:



A new resident who owns a dog or cat over five months of age, and who licenses such pet within 30 days of residency or;

A resident who obtains a dog or cat on or after April 1st, and who licenses such pet within 30 days or,

A resident who owns a dog or cat that is not five months of age on or before March 31st, and who licenses such pet within 30 days from the date in which it reaches five months of age.

RENEWALS:

If you licensed your pet for 2005, on or before September 30, 2005, you should receive a 2006 renewal notice from Milwaukee County near the end of December or beginning of January. If you licensed your pet for 2005 on or after October 1, 2005, Milwaukee County will not send you a renewal notice. Please bring in the 2005 application along with a current certificate of rabies vaccination (showing the tag number and the expiration date). Whether or not you receive a renewal notice from Milwaukee County, it is your responsibility to license your pet for 2006, on or before March 31, 2006.

If you have any questions, please contact the Treasurer's office at 768-6501.

	Fees:
Male or Female Dog/Cats	\$20.00
Neutered/Spayed Dog/Cats	\$10.00
Late Fee	Double the license fee

Municipal Ordinance Chapter 7.40 states that no animal may run at large within the City of Oak Creek. To see the City Pet Ordinance please visit our website at www.oakcreekwi.org. Click on the link found under City Departments, Treasurer's Office, and then dog and cat license.

CITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2005

1	2:30-5:30 p.m.	Immunization Clinic
6	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting
8	4:30 p.m.	Celebrations Commission
	6:00 p.m.	Parks, Rec. & Forestry Commission
12	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court (Monday)
13	9:00 a.m.	Water & Sewer Utility Commission
	4:45 p.m.	Library Board
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission
14	4:30 p.m.	Board of Health
	7:00 p.m.	Traffic & Safety Commission
15	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Immunization Clinic
20	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting
23	CLOSED	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
26	CLOSED	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
27	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission
30	CLOSED	NEW YEAR HOLIDAY



JANUARY 2006

1	CLOSED	NEW YEAR'S DAY
3	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting
5	2:30-5:30 p.m.	Immunization Clinic
9	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court (Monday)
10	9:00 a.m.	Water & Sewer Utility Commission
	4:45 p.m.	Library Board
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission
11	7:00 p.m.	Traffic & Safety Commission
12	4:30 p.m.	Celebrations Commission
	6:00 p.m.	Parks, Rec. & Forestry Commission
17	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting
19	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Immunization Clinic
24	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission



CITY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2006

2	2:30-5:30 p.m.	Immunization Clinic
7	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting
8	4:30 p.m.	Board of Health
	7:00 p.m.	Traffic & Safety Commission
9	4:30 p.m.	Celebrations Commission
	6:00 p.m.	Parks, Rec. & Forestry Commission
13	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court (Monday)
14	9:00 a.m.	Water & Sewer Utility Commission
	4:45 p.m.	Library Board
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission
16	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Immunization Clinic
20	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting (Monday)
21	7 A.M.-8 P.M.	SPRING PRIMARY ELECTION, IF REQUIRED
	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
28	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission



APRIL 2006

3	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting (Monday)
4	7 A.M.-8 P.M.	SPRING GENERAL ELECTION
	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
6	2:30-5:30 p.m.	Immunization Clinic
10	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court (Monday)
11	9:00 a.m.	Water & Sewer Utility Commission
	4:45 p.m.	Library Board
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission
12	4:30 p.m.	Board of Health
	7:00 p.m.	Traffic & Safety Commission
13	4:30 p.m.	Celebrations Commission
	6:00 p.m.	Parks, Rec. & Forestry Commission
14	CLOSED	FRIDAY BEFORE EASTER
18	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting
20	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Immunization Clinic
25	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission



MARCH 2006

2	2:30-5:30 p.m.	Immunization Clinic
7	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting
8	7:00 p.m.	Traffic & Safety Commission
9	4:30 p.m.	Celebrations Commission
	6:00 p.m.	Parks, Rec. & Forestry Commission
13	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court (Monday)
14	9:00 a.m.	Water & Sewer Utility Commission
	4:45 p.m.	Library Board
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission
16	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Immunization Clinic
21	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting
28	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission



MAY 2006

2	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Common Council Meeting
4	2:30-5:30 p.m.	Immunization Clinic
8	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court (Monday)
9	9:00 a.m.	Water & Sewer Utility Commission
	4:45 p.m.	Library Board
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23	5:00 p.m.	Municipal Court
	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission
29	CLOSED	MEMORIAL DAY



NOTE: The dates and times listed in this *Acorn* calendar are considered tentative only and are subject to cancellation, changes or rescheduling. Please check with the City Clerk's Office at 768-6500 prior to attending.

NOXIOUS WEED ORDINANCE

NOXIOUS WEED ORDINANCE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT:

(a) In addition to the weeds mentioned to be noxious under s. 66.96(1), Wisconsin Statutes, the following weeds are also declared to be noxious weeds within the boundaries of the City of Oak Creek: Bull Thistle, Wild Carrot, Sour Dock, Wild Mustard, Chickory, Poison Oak, Poison Ivy, Sow Thistle, Burdock.

(b) Except as provided in sub. (c), all weeds and grass in platted subdivisions which have buildings on more than 50% of the lots in the subdivision, in multi-family apartments and complexes, planned developments and mobile home districts

shall be cut to and maintained at a height not to exceed six (6) inches. All weeds and grass in platted subdivisions which have buildings on 50% or less of the lots or which are not located in platted subdivisions and all weeds and grasses in business and manufacturing zoning districts shall be cut to a height not to exceed one foot (12 inches).

The City Weed Commissioner may cause all weeds, grass and brush to be cut and removed, in accordance with this subsection and the cost thereof shall be charged to the property owner pursuant to Section 66.98(1) Wis. Stats.

(c) The provisions for destruction of noxious weeds and cutting of all weeds and grass as provided above shall not apply to areas which are designated by the Common Council as nature centers or wildlife preserves.



Broadleaf Dock



Bull Thistle



Burdock Fruit



Chickory



Poison Ivy-
in Summer



Poison Ivy-
in Fall



Poison Oak in
Summer



Poison Oak in
Fall



Burdock Plant



Wild Mustard



Sow Thistle



Wild Carrot aka
Queen Annes Lace

ATTENTION: NEW CONDO OWNERS & NEW SUBDIVISION HOMEOWNERS

2005 Real estate property tax bills are based on what improvements are on the property as of January 1. If the parcel or condominium unit did not exist as of January 1, 2005, it will not receive a tax bill for 2005. On January 1, this property may have been land only and/or part of one large parcel. Please contact your builder/developer, check your sales contract to review your closing statement or contact your attorney to verify if you will be responsible for any property taxes for the current tax year. If you have any questions regarding how tax payments are handled, please feel free to contact the treasurer's office at (414) 768-6501. We are available Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 P.M.

Address Changes:

If the parcel or condominium unit did exist as of January 1, 2005, and you moved into the newly constructed home or condominium in 2005, please contact our Assessor's Office at (414) 768-6506 to verify current ownership and address information.

Wis. Stats. 74.09 Property tax bill and related information (6) Effect of Failure to Receive. Failure to receive a property tax bill does not affect the validity of the general property taxes, special taxes, special charges and special assessments levied or the collection of delinquent general property taxes, special taxes, special charges and special assessments.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM

COMMUNITY EDUCATION ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES SPRING FORWARD TO OFFER A GREAT NEW SESSION!

Participation in the Fall 2005 Adult Education classes reached an all-time high. Thank you to all the new participants that have joined the classes as well as our many returning students! The Winter/Spring session continues to offer academic and enrichment classes that are requested by community members as their "favorites" as well as continue to offer exciting new classes and workshops.

The Winter/Spring session is bound to have classes and workshops that will help get you through the winter blues or jump into spring!

Check out just a few the exciting classes the program will offer this Winter/Spring below:

New for Spring!

Soap Making

Date: Wed., April 26 or May 9

Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm



Parenting with Love and Logic Series

Date: Thurs., March 2, 9, 16 and 23

This highly popular parenting series includes a light meal and free childcare for children over 2 years of age!

Infant Massage

Date: Tues., May 2 & 9

Time: 6:00-7:30pm

Get in Gear! Clear your Clutter

Date: Tues., January 24 & 31

Time: 6:30-8:00pm

Living Well for Life

Date: Tues., Jan. 31 & April 25

Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Natural Alternative for Arthritis

Date: Tues., Feb. 21 & March 28

Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Basketweaving-Shaker Tote Bag

Date: Tues., May 2 & 9, Wed. May 3 & 10

Time: 6:00-8:30pm

Favorite Classes & Workshops

Beginning Digital and Manual Photography

Date: Wed., April 5-May 17

Time: 6:30-8:30pm

Picture Framing and Matting

Date: Tues, Feb. 7 – March 14

Time: 6:30-8:30pm

Introduction to Computers

Date: Mon., Jan. 23-Feb. 13

Time: 6:30-8:30pm

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Date: Tues., Feb. 21-March 14

Time: 6:30-8:30pm



Microsoft FrontPage

Date: Mon., March 20-April 10

Time: 6:30-8:30pm

Scrapbooking

Date: Wed., Jan. 18, Feb. 22, March 22, April 26, or May 3

Time: 6:00-8:30pm

American Sign Language

Date: Wed., Jan. 18- March 15

Time: 3:30-5:00pm

Taming the High Cost of College

Date: Tues. Feb. 7

Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Organizing 102: How to manage your papers & important documents.

Date: Thurs., March 23

Time: 7:00-9:00pm

Additional course information & a complete listing of workshops & classes offered by Community Education can be found in the Winter/Spring Adult Education Catalog.

The Winter/Spring Catalog will be available December 16th at the following locations:

**M&I Bank-Oak Creek
Oak Creek Public Library
Oak Creek City Hall
Oak Creek Parks, Recreation and Forestry
Oak Creek Community Center
Oak Creek -Franklin Schools
Oak Creek Franklin School District Office**

Or On-line at:

www.oakcreek.k12.wi.us



Don't receive a catalog and would like one? If you would like to be adding to your mailing list please call the Community Education Activity Line: **(414) 768-6163**

Registration for the Winter/Spring session begins **December 16th**. Registration deadline is one week prior to first day of each class but don't wait to register classes can fill quickly!

Important Program Dates to Remember

December 16th - Winter/Spring Catalogs Available & Registration Begins.

January 16th - Winter/Spring Session Starts

April 14-21st - Spring Break No Classes

May 19th - Winter/Spring Session Ends

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POINTS OF INTEREST

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department activities are cancelled on the following holidays:

Christmas--Fri. & Mon. December 23 & 26
New Years--Fri. December 30 & Mon. January 2
Easter-- Fri. & Sat. April 14 & 15
Memorial Day--Monday, May 29

DEPARTMENT FUNDING

The Oak Creek Common Council provides revenue for Department operations during the year. Non-residents, therefore, are required to pay additional fees and/or charges for recreation activities.

ADVERTISING

The Oak Creek Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department would like to thank the businesses/organizations for their ads placed in this guide.

If you are interested in advertising in the Recreation Guide, contact the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department office at 768-6516 for additional information.

EMPLOYMENT

PARKS, RECREATION & FORESTRY: Persons interested in working for Parks, Recreation and Forestry should contact the office at 768-6515 & request an employment application form.

VOLUNTEERS: Persons interested in serving as volunteers are encouraged to contact the Recreation Supervisor to discuss how their services can be utilized.

CITY EMPLOYMENT: Persons interested in working for the City should visit the City's website at: www.oakcreekwi.org or contact Marie at the City Administrator's Office at 768-6591.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Oak Creek will make reasonable efforts to accommodate persons with disabilities in the provision of City services, programs or activities. If you require special accommodation in order to participate in a city parks/recreation program, please let us know when you register.

CONTACT US

OAK CREEK PARKS, RECREATION & FORESTRY:

Office Hours: Monday - Friday
8 AM - 4:45 PM

Office Phone: (414) 768-6515

Visit us at: www.oakcreekwi.org

Activity Tape: (414) 299-9721
Press 1 for General Information
Press 2 for Team Sports Information
Press 3 for Registration Information

SMILE



On occasion, our staff may take pictures of participants in our Parks, Recreation & Forestry programs. These pictures are for our future program brochures/bulletin boards.

CARPPOOLING REQUESTS

- Siblings who are registering for the same class section and/or league, will be placed together unless otherwise requested in writing by the parent or guardian.
- All other requests for persons to be placed together must be in writing; one request signed by the parents or guardians of BOTH parties requesting the carpool.
- Requests of placement together, other than siblings, are NOT guaranteed and will only be considered for groups of 3 or less unrelated persons.
- If placement with another person(s) is requested, it is understood that if one member of the group is placed on the wait list, ALL members of the group will be put on the wait list.

**The Acorn Recreation Guide &
City Newsletter is published three times
a year:**

**mid-May
mid-August
mid-December**

Mark your calendar!

FINE PRINT: THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

IS SHE/HE OLD ENOUGH?

For all programs, **age requirement will be as of the date of the first class**, unless otherwise specified. Please do not request to have your child put in a class he/she does not belong in. All age requirements are set to benefit the participants and make instruction more consistent for the program leader. In some instances, the requirements have been set for the child's safety.

WHO'S THE TEACHER?

The Recreation Department assigns the most qualified leaders available to all program activities. Your feedback regarding instructors/leaders is always welcome.

HOW MUCH IS IT?

The policy of the Department is that those who participate must help defray the cost of the activity. Fees and charges are assessed according to the needs of the program, including leadership, equipment, and supplies, etc.

Note:

The Department does not want to exclude children of residents who are unable to pay these fees due to financial hardship. Please contact the office if you need financial assistance.

NEED TO TRANSFER?

Please give us a call! There is no charge for transfers between programs.

NEED A REFUND?

Refunds will be made upon request up until 1/3 of the scheduled classes have been held (i.e. 3 classes of a 10 week session) except as noted in individual class descriptions. You may expect your refund check 2 to 4 weeks after your request is received.

A \$3 service fee will be charged for each refund requested by an individual.

In the event an activity a person signs up for is cancelled, that person will have the option of a full refund or a transfer to another activity.

Overpayments must be picked up in the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Office within 2 weeks of notification to avoid forfeiture (under \$5) or a \$3 check processing fee (over \$5).

IS THERE CLASS TODAY?

If you have a question concerning the cancellation of a program (inclement weather, school closed, etc.) **CALL THE 24-HOUR INFORMATION LINE AT: (414) 299-9721**

It is sometimes necessary to cancel an activity due to school-related functions, weather, etc. Participants will be notified of cancellations as soon as possible.

Cancelled activities will be rescheduled if possible. If a class is unable to be rescheduled, no refunds will be issued.

CAN I WATCH?

In an effort to avoid distractions and interruptions in instruction, relatives, friends and/or other children are not permitted in classrooms or the pool during instruction.

We also feel it is most beneficial for your child to have recreational time with his/her peers, and for adults to have time in an adults-only atmosphere.

OPEN HOUSE:

You are welcome to discuss your child's progress after each class, and attend the open house held during the final class of the session.

HAVE A COMPLAINT?

If, after you begin a class it does not meet your expectations, please contact the Oak Creek Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department at 768-6515 to discuss your concerns.

DO YOU HAVE INSURANCE?

The Department does not provide hospital/medical insurance coverage for program participants. Nor does the School District provide hospital/medical coverage for Department sponsored activities on school property. Participants are encouraged to obtain their own insurance

coverage for the duration of their activity from their own insurance agent.

WHERE DO I PARK-ENTER?

WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Southwest doors at back of school next to dumpster.

EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL: Northwest doors. Use northern-most drive & parking lot

SHEPARD HILLS: North doors next to the playground.

CITY HALL: East doors closest to fire station.

HIGH SCHOOL: EAST ENTRANCE # 21 ONLY

AM I A RESIDENT?

A non-resident fee is set for most activities. The non-resident fee applies to any person whose primary residence is not within the Oak Creek city limits at the time of registration. Attendance in the Oak Creek-Franklin School District does not constitute residency. All individuals or groups registering in classes or activities must show proof of City residency such as a current State of Wisconsin driver's license, a current utility bill, etc. each time they register. If proof of residency cannot be validated, the non-resident fee standards will be applied.

NEW CLASSES?

Watch for the following symbol to easily locate new classes in this issue of the "Acorn."



Persons new to the program should read the skill descriptions for each level to determine their correct placement.

Age and height requirements are set for the safety & welfare of the students! *Please do not ask for an exception.*



BEFORE YOU GET WET!

Only lifeguards and SWIMMERS are permitted in the pool area during SWIM INSTRUCTION & OPEN SWIM.

For safety reasons, flotation devices, including life jackets and other equipment and toys are not allowed during open swim.

Unexpected pool closings can occur. Always check to be sure the pool is open & has not reached maximum capacity before leaving children for open swim.



Locker room attendants are NOT on duty, however, locker room checks are made by pool staff. Locks left overnight may be removed at the discretion of the Department. The Department/School District is not responsible for any lost or stolen articles.

Average pool temperature: 80 degrees.

Minimum depth: 36"

PLACE: Oak Creek Senior High School Pool

ENTER: Enter through the east doors #21
Participants must provide their own suit (no substitutes allowed).

RED CROSS CERTIFIED SWIM

INSTRUCTORS: Amy Abitz-Akey, Lindsay Allard, Amy Hildebrandt, Dana Johnson, Phil Timber, Emily Zastrow, Carol Pultz, Kim Trate, Callia Johnson & Steve Trate

For further information contact the Recreation Office at:

768-6515

OPEN SWIM

Jan. 12 - May 11

TUESDAY & THURSDAY 7:05 - 8:20 PM

Open Swim is held in the Oak Creek Senior High School Pool (east entrance #21) and is **FREE** to Oak Creek residents.

Call the activity tape at 299-9721 (press 1 when prompted) for possible additional hours or cancellations.

Note: All children under 6 years of age must be accompanied by an adult in the water (preferably a parent) during Open Swim. Children under 2 years of age are not permitted in the pool during open swim.

Due to swim meets, open swim will be cancelled on--

January 17 & January 24

Lap Swim - Ages 16+

Jan. 12 - May 11

8:20-9:05 PM Tuesday & Thursday

Note: NO children permitted in the pool area during Lap Swim

Cancelled Jan. 17 & 24 due to swim meets.



“LEARN TO SWIM” PROGRAM (AGES 2-14)

Little Dippers Child & Parent

Ages 2 to 5 years will swim & play with a parent or other adult. Class will include adjustment to the water, games, basic swim movements & safety skills.

Note: Swimmers who are not toilet trained must wear a cloth diaper with TIGHT fitting plastic pants or commercially available “swim diaper”. No “disposables” will be permitted.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	DATES	TIME
402001 B1	Sat	Jan. 21- Feb. 18	11:00 -11:30 AM
402001 B2	Sat	Feb. 25 - Mar. 18	11:00 -11:40 AM
402001 A1	Wed	Jan. 25 - Feb. 22	6:00 - 6:30 PM
102001 A1	Wed	Mar. 1 - Mar. 29	6:00 - 6:30 PM

FEE:

Little Dippers (1 parent/1 child)
Resident \$14 / Non-Resident \$20



Intro to Water Skills-Level 1



Six years old & up & is at least 42" tall.
 For children with minimal or no previous swim lesson experience. No swim skills required.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	DATES	TIME
402011 A1	Wed	Jan. 25-Mar. 29	6:45- 7:30 PM

Intro to Water Skills-Level 1 With Parent

Ages 4 who have completed Little Dippers, Ages 5 & 6.
 An Intro to Water Skills class for children who do not meet the height or age requirements listed above. One parent per child please.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	DATES	TIME
402011 C1	Sat	Jan. 21-Mar. 18	12:00- 12:50 PM

Fundamental Aquatic Skills-Level 2

For students who meet age & height requirements for **Intro to Water Skills** and:

Passed Level 1 or can move 5 yards, bob 5 times exhaling under-water, and exit water. Float on front with support, roll to back and float on back. Swim on front & back 10 feet.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	DATES	TIME
402021 B1	Sat	Jan. 21 - Mar. 18	10:00 - 10:50 AM
402021 B2	Sat	Jan. 21 - Mar. 18	11:00- 11:50 AM
402021 A2	Wed	Jan. 25 - Mar. 29	6:00 - 6:45 PM
402021 A3	Wed	Jan. 25 - Mar. 29	7:30 - 8:15 PM

Fundamental Aquatic Skills-Level 2 With Parent

Ages 4 who have passed Intro to Water Skills, Ages 5 & 6 who do not meet height or age requirements for classes without parent and have the swim skills listed above. One parent per child please.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	DATES	TIME
402021 C1	Wed	Jan. 25 - Mar. 29	6:45 - 7:30 PM



Stroke Development-Level 3

Swimmers who meet height & age requirement for classes without parent or who have passed Level 2 with or without parent. Must be able to step into chest deep water, front float 5 seconds, roll over to a back float, back float 5 seconds, front glide and swim 10 yards on front & back, tread water, submerge head.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	DATES	TIME
402031 B1	Sat	Jan. 21 - Mar. 18	10:00- 10:50 AM
402031 A1	Wed	Jan. 25 - Mar. 29	7:30- 8:15 PM



Stroke Improvement-Level 4

Swimmers who have previously passed **Level 3** or can jump into deep water, front crawl 20 yards (face in) with rhythmic breathing, tread water or float 30 seconds, swim back crawl 20 yards. Demonstrate butterfly 15 feet.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	DATES	TIME
402041 B1	Sat	Jan. 21 - Mar. 18	12:00 - 12:50 PM
402041 A1	Wed	Jan. 25 - Mar. 29	6:00 - 6:45 PM

SWIM FEES:

DIPPERS Classes (1 parent/1child)
 Resident \$14 / Non-Resident \$20

Other Classes “WITH PARENT” (1 parent/1 child)
 Resident \$28 / Non-resident \$40

All other Classes
 Resident \$24 / Non-resident \$36

SWIM, SCUBA, AQUA FIT, BADGE NIGHT

Stroke Refinement-Level 5

For those who have previously passed Level 4 or who can jump in, swim front crawl with rotary breathing 25 yards, back float 1 minute in deep water, swim elementary backstroke 15 yards. Swim breaststroke 15 yards, tread water for 1 minute, breaststroke for 25 yards, butterfly and sidestroke 15 yards

ACT/SECT#	DAY	DATES	TIME
402051 A1	Wed	Jan. 25-Mar. 29	7:30 -8:15 PM

Lifeguard Readiness-Level 6

For those who have previously passed Level 5 or who can shallow dive in deep water, swim 50 yards front crawl, flip turn, float 2 minutes in deep water, elementary backstroke 25 yards, breaststroke 25 yards, tread water 2 minutes with breaststroke kick, scissors kick or rotary kick, backcrawl 50 yards with flip turns. Butterfly 25 yards, do tuck and pike surface dives, under-water swim 15 yards.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	DATES	TIME
402061 A1	Wed	Jan. 25-Mar. 29	6:45 - 7:30 PM



Badge Night

Wednesday, April 12 - 6:30 PM to 8 PM

Scouts and youth group members will have the opportunity to work on badges, pins and advancement requirements. A leader or adult must attend, supervise and work with each group. **NO INSTRUCTORS OR BADGE COUNSELORS WILL BE AVAILABLE.** Lifeguards will be on duty and reaching poles, ring buoys and life jackets will be available. Non-registered brothers, sisters, friends, etc. will be asked to wait in the hall. This is not a family open swim! Please do not bring more adults than needed to work with your group.

BRING: Towel, swim suit, mask, fins, snorkel if needed, lock for locker

PLACE: Sr. High Pool

ENTER: Use East Entrance #21 only

ACTIVITY#: 102006 A1

FEE: \$1 per scout/youth group members
Leaders are free

NOTE: Swim attire required of ALL persons in the pool.



SCUBA DIVING COURSE

(Adults & Youth 12 & Up)



Open water certification will be issued to persons who complete the classroom, pool & four open water dives successfully.

The class instruction fee includes books, equipment, classroom, pool & open water instruction, however participants must provide their own mask, fins, snorkel & wetsuit boots. Purchase information for above items may be obtained from Pirate's Cove or from the instructor at the first class. Questions? Call:

Pirate's Cove at 482-1430

ALL participants must pass a water test which will be given during the first pool session.

DATE: Thursdays February 9 - March 9

TIME: 6 PM to 9 PM

PLACE: Sr. High Pool & Art Room

INSTRUCTOR: Pirate's Cove staff

ACTIVITY/SECTION #: 403502 A1

FEES:

- \$35 Class Registration Fee** - paid prior to first class to Oak Creek Parks, Recreation & Forestry
- \$225 Instruction Fee** - paid to instructor-entire amount at first class or \$125 at first class and \$100 prior to open water dives.
- \$25 Optional video fee**-paid to instructor-refundable if returned prior to open water dives in good condition.



AQUA FIT (10 weeks)

ADULTS & TEENS 16+

Aqua Fit consists of swim activities/exercises held in the **Senior High Pool**. **NO SWIM SKILLS ARE REQUIRED** for this water fitness class. Toning & aerobic exercises will be introduced.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	BEGINS	TIME
406511 A1	Tues	Jan. 31	6 - 7 PM
406511 A2	Thurs	Feb. 2	6 - 7 PM

PLACE: Sr. High Pool

ENTER: Use East Entrance #21 only

INSTRUCTOR: Sally Plemons

FEE: Residents \$36 / Non-residents \$54

SHAPING UP

CARDIO KICKBOXING

ADULTS & TEENS AGE 16+ (10 WEEKS)
BEGINS JANUARY 24

This non-contact workout will add a little “kick: to you ordinary fitness routine! Learn how to safely execute various punches and kicks while using proper form and technique. This class will include various kickboxing drills and easy-to-follow cardio combinations to make a high-energy workout. No experience needed!

<u>ACTIV./SECT#</u>	<u>BEGINS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
406501 C1	Jan. 24	Tues	6:30-7:30 PM

PLACE: Oak Creek High School Balcony

INSTRUCTOR: Amanda Schmidt-Maughan

FEE: \$36 Residents / \$54 Non-residents

BRING: Towel or mat & water bottle



STEPPING UP AEROBICS

ADULTS (10 WEEKS)
Begins Jan. 23 or Jan. 24

Get ready to step-up and take charge of those under worked thighs, hips and abdominal muscles! Shape your buttocks, hips, thighs, abdomen and even your upper body without high-impact stress. Participants should wear aerobic/fitness shoes. Steps provided.



<u>ACT./SECT#</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
406501 B1-Beginner	1/23-3/27	Mon	7 -8 PM
406501 A1-Adv.Beg	1/24-3/28	Tues	7:30-8:30 PM

PLACE: Oak Creek High School Balcony

ENTER: East Entrance #21 only

FEE: \$36 Residents / \$54 Non-residents

INSTRUCTOR: Sally Plemons

BRING: Towel or mat and water bottle

WALK IT OFF

ADULTS & TEENS AGE 16+ (10 WEEKS)
BEGINS JANUARY 23

Walk your way to fitness with our low impact, fun, and convenient workout. We'll be walking in place using a



variety of steps and intervals of toning exercises to shape you up. Walking is a great addition to everyone's exercise routine and the pace is easily adjusted for beginners or more advanced exercis-

ers.

<u>ACTIV./SECT#</u>	<u>BEGINS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
406501 B2	Jan. 23	Mon	6:00-6:45 PM

PLACE: Sr. High Balcony

INSTRUCTOR: Sally Plemons

FEE: \$27 Residents / \$40.50 Non-residents

BRING: Towel or mat & water bottle

YOGA

ADULTS/TEENS AGE 16+ (8 Weeks)



Stressed? Relax your mind and increase your strength and flexibility with Yoga. This beginner level class will teach you basic level breathing techniques and a variety of Yoga postures.

<u>ACT./SECT#</u>	<u>BEGINS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
406501 D1	Jan. 26	Thurs	6-7:30 PM

PLACE: Edgewood Gym

INSTRUCTOR: Anna Bauer-Baxter

BRING: Towel or mat & water bottle

FEE: \$43 Residents / \$64.50 Non-residents

No Class
 Feb. 9
 &
 March 2

HEALTH & SAFETY

FITNESS WALKING

MON.-FRI. 6-8:30 PM - AGES 16+



- * T-shirt required (Walkers may continue using current shirt)
- * *Option:* Earn milestone certificates
- * Enjoy the motivation of belonging to a group

REGISTRATION--OPENS IMMEDIATELY

January 2 to March 31

Resident	Non-Resident	Act./Sect#
\$18.00	\$24.50 includes new shirt	502021 F2
\$12.00	\$18.00 using Spring/Fall '05 shirt	

Daily fee payable at door. ID required.

Resident	Non-Resident	Act./Sect#
\$1.50	\$2.00	502021 DW

CLOSED: February 2

PLACE: Sr. High 2nd floor hallways.
Use east entrance #21 only.



PILATES

ADULTS & TEENS AGE 16+ (10 WEEKS)

BEGINS JANUARY 24

Hard to find time to exercise? Easy to learn, and suitable for all ages, pilates is an entire body workout designed to strengthen and tone muscles in minimal time. By increasing flexibility, improving posture and reducing stress, pilates will leave you looking and feeling great.

ACTIV./SECT#	BEGINS	DAY	TIME
406501 E1	Jan. 25	Wed	8 - 9 PM

PLACE: Oak Creek High School Wrestling Room

INSTRUCTOR: Amanda Schmidt-Maughan

FEE: \$36 Residents / \$54 Non-residents

BRING: Towel or mat & water bottle



PET FIRST AID

ADULTS & YOUTH 16+

Have you ever wondered what to do if Fido or Tabby became hurt or ill?

Learn how to keep your pet safe & help your 4-legged best friend in an emergency.

Date: Wed. February 15

Time: 6 - 8:30 PM

Location: Oak Creek High School Art Room

Activity/Sect# 406512 P1

FEE: Residents \$12
Non-Residents \$18



Instructor: Mary Jane Trate

Note: Pet 1st Aid books available for an additional \$13 each. Must be preordered. Please indicate on registration form



AMERICAN RED CROSS

FIRST AID & CPR

ADULTS & YTH 16+

Class	Activity/Sect#	DAY/DATE	TIME
First Aid	106512 A1	Wed. 3/15	5:30-9:00 PM
Infant CPR	406512 B2	Wed. 2/1	6:00-9:30 PM
Infant CPR	106512 B1	Tues. 4/25	5:30-9:00 PM
Child CPR	106512 D2	Thurs. 3/2	5:30-9:00 PM
Child CPR	106512 D1	Thurs. 5/25	6:00-9:30 PM
Adult CPR	406512 C1	Wed. 1/18	6:00-9:30 PM
Adult CPR	106512 C2	Wed. 5/17	6:00-9:30 PM

LOCATION: Oak Creek City Hall. Lower Level Conference Room-use east entrance

FEE 1st CLASS: \$ 12 resident / \$18 non-residents
(\$2 discount on each additional class)

INSTRUCTOR: Mary Jane Trate or Sue Stadler

Certification will be issued upon completion of class.

No Refunds Once Class Begins

HEALTH & FITNESS

Hearts 'n Soles AGES 50+ (8 WEEKS)



This class is for people who want to add more activity to their life and improve their overall health and cardiovascular efficiency. This will be a program of simple, but steady, steps, arms, and leg movements to build endurance, joint flexibility, balance and strength.



<u>ACTIV./SECT#</u>	<u>BEGINS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
106901 B1	May 2	Tues & Thurs	10-11 AM

PLACE: St. John's Lutheran Church, 6700 S Howell Avenue (Across from MATC)

FEE: \$ 22 Resident
\$ 33 Non-Resident

INSTRUCTOR: Donna Marhal



YOU CAN: Steps to Healthier Aging AGES 50+ (12 WEEKS)



- Improve your mood and relieve anxiety!
- Strengthen bones and help prevent falls!
- Manage your weight!
- Make new friends and have fun!

The "You Can: Steps to Healthier Aging" program will teach you healthier eating habits & show you how to add regular physical activity to your day. Your instructor will help you set & meet healthy eating & exercise goals and use a pedometer to track your activity.

<u>ACTIV./SECT#</u>	<u>BEGINS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
106901 A1	May 3	Wed	11:15-11:45AM

PLACE: Senior Day Rm-Oak Creek Community Center

FEE includes pedometer:

\$17 OCPRF Forever Young Club Member
\$21 Resident, non-member
\$24 Non-resident, non-member

FIT FOR THE 50's Ages 50+

Strength training, nutrition and healthy eating for ages 50+? **Absolutely!** Strength training helps keep you young by helping you maintain muscle mass. You'll combat osteoporosis, improve posture and burn more calories. Class will include light weight training and nutrition education.

SESSION 1 (6 weeks): *Non-resident/non-member registration opens January 9 for this session.

<u>ACTIVITY/SECT#</u>	<u>BEGINS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
406901 C1	Jan. 17	Tu/Th	10-11 AM

SESSION 2 (6 weeks):

<u>ACTIVITY/SECT#</u>	<u>BEGINS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
106901 C1	Mar. 7	Tu/Th	10-11 AM

PLACE: Senior Day Rm-Oak Creek Community Ctr

INSTRUCTOR: David West

FEE PER SESSION:

\$12 OCPRF Forever Young Club Member
\$14 Oak Creek residents-non-members
\$21 Non-resident-non-member

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Cardiologists: 0**

You can't change your family medical history. But you can reduce your risk of developing a chronic disease by staying active and enjoying your local park's recreation facilities. Close to home or far away, America's public parks are where people get healthy.

So be active, volunteer, and support funding for parks and recreation. Make an investment that improves your health and your happiness — for a lifetime. It starts in parks!

Go to www.nrpa.org now to find out how you can make a difference!

It Starts in Parks
National Recreation and Park Association
Healthy Lifestyles, Livable Communities

FOREVER YOUNG CLUB-55 & BETTER

Join the Fun!

New Members Welcome!

MEMBERSHIP:

Visit or call Georgene Gabelbauer, Program Coordinator, at: (414) 768-5850, Monday through Thursday, 12 noon - 2:15 PM or call the Parks, Rec. & Forestry Office at (414) 768-6515 to leave a message.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS:

- Priority registration for activities
- Activities just for members.
- Monthly newsletter
- Discounts on special events & field trips.
- Social Service reference materials and speakers.

MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY:

1. Oak Creek Resident (limited non-resident vacancies)
2. 55 years of age.
3. Able to care for self or be accompanied by a caregiver.
4. Complete necessary membership information forms.
5. Submit payment of \$7.00 for 2006 dues.

ACTIVITIES:

- Volunteer Opportunities
- Movies & Munchies
- Blood pressure monitoring
- Guest speakers
- Foot care clinics
- Luncheon Club



CLASSES:

- Computer Classes
- Red Cross Family Caregiving
- Fit for the 50's Weight Training*- Pg. 28
- You Can : Steps to Healthier Aging* - Pg 28
- Hearts 'n Soles* - Pg. 28

* classes marked with an asterisk are listed in this "Acorn." Registration/payment at the Recreation Office is mandatory prior to attending class.

COMING SOON !

Note: All activities are held at the Oak Creek Community Center, ("The Center") 8580 S. Howell Avenue, Oak Creek (unless otherwise stated.)

Card Social & Business Meeting

Mondays from 10 AM to 2:30 PM at "The Center".

Hot Lunches available to members for only \$1.50/person at "The Center"

St. Patrick's Gala

Thursday, March 16 at "The Center"

More information to follow



Drury Lane Theatre

Thursday, May 18

Motor coach transportation, sit down luncheon, "Nunsensations" the musical. More info. to follow.

AARP Tax Counseling for the Elderly

Thursdays beginning February 2nd by appointment only!



Programs

Under

Construction

"AFTER HOURS" CLUB: Social & recreational opportunities for working adults 55+ or those who prefer the nightlife (fine dining, theatrical presentations, sporting events and more...)

"WHAT'S HAPPENING" RESOURCE

CENTER: Up-to-date information on activities and programs offered throughout the community for those 55+

"HEALTHY LIVING & WELLNESS EDUCATION"



GYMBOREE

Gymboree Fitness For Kids Ages 3 - 5 (PARENT OPTIONAL)



Through the 5 health related components of physical fitness--cardio, strength, endurance, flexibility and fitness, we explore fun and new fitness activities for kids. This program helps children build strong, healthy bodies and minds and promotes a positive attitude toward physical fitness. Kids also have an opportunity to learn social skills as they interact and have fun with peers.

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>ACTIV./SECT#</u>
Wed	7:20-7:50 PM	1/25-3/1	404012 C1
Wed	6:40-7:10 PM	3/15-4/19	104012 C3

PLACE: Sr. High Wrestling Room-use east entrance #21

FEE per session: \$ 45 residents / \$ 47 Non-residents

Gymboree Toddlers

Age: 14 to 30 months (with parent)



In this class, we'll explore different concepts such as "stop and go" and "up and down" with specially designed games, songs, and activities. We'll top the class with our signature parachute time and, of course, lots of bubbles!

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>ACTIV./SECT#</u>
Wed	6:00-6:30 PM	3/15-4/19	104012 C1

PLACE: OCHS Wrestling Room-use east entrance #21

FEE: \$ 45 residents / \$ 47 Non-residents (Fee per child)

Gymboree Preschoolers

Age: 2-1/2 to 5 Years (with parent)



In this class, we'll use our imaginations to make themes like "Dinosaur Day" or "Going to the Zoo" come to life with our specially designed games, songs and activities. We'll top the class with our parachute time and, of course, lots of bubbles!

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>ACTIV./SECT#</u>
Wed	6:40-7:10 PM	1/25-3/1	404012 C2

PLACE: OCHS Wrestling Room-use east entrance #21

FEE: \$ 45 residents / \$ 47 Non-residents (Fee per child)

Gymboree Family Notes (parent/child)

6 months to 5 years

In this family oriented class, we feature songs and activities that the whole family can enjoy together! You and your family will play instruments, dance, sing, and play musical games as we explore different musical styles such as "Surfin", "African" and "Rock and Roll"

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>ACTIV./SECT#</u>
Wed	6:00-6:30 PM	1/25-3/1	404009 B1
Wed	7:20-7:50 PM	3/15-4/19	104009 B1

PLACE: OCHS Wrestling Room-use east entrance #21

FEE per session: \$ 45 residents / \$ 47 Non-residents (Fee includes 1 child with parent(s)/guardian(s))



KIDS & FAMILY STUFF

DANCE PROGRAM BALLET - TAP - JAZZ AGES 4 & UP



Let's move to the beat! Dance fundamentals geared toward the young student. Combo classes will include basic dance steps and rhythms used in ballet, tap and jazz. *Children must be toilet-trained.*

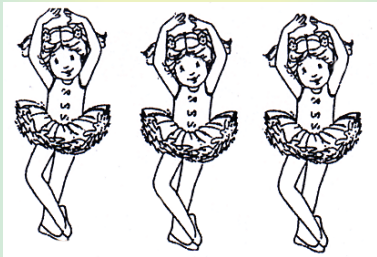
COMBO (5 weeks)

ACT/SECT#	DAY	AGES	DATES	TIME
404009 A1	Sat	4-5	1/28-2/25	8:30- 9:15 AM
404009 A2	Sat	5-7	1/28-2/25	9:15-10:00 AM
104009 A1	Sat	4-5	3/11-4/8	8:30- 9:15 AM
104009 A2	Sat	5-7	3/11-4/8	9:15-10:00 AM

Wear: Dance shoes not required for combo classes. Please wear t-shirt and shorts, sweats or plain leotard and tights.

PLACE: Sr. High Choir Room

FEE PER SESSION-COMBO: \$10 Resident / \$15 Non-resident



BALLET, TAP & JAZZ CLASSES** Wednesdays: begins Jan. 25 (8 weeks)

**Students who have previously taken combo class or other prior classes may focus on a particular dance style in the following classes. (Children age 4 MUST take combo class)

ACT/SECT#	DAY	AGES	CLASS	TIME
404019 A1	Wed	5-6	Ballet	6:00-6:30 PM
404029 A1	Wed	5-6	Tap	6:30-7:00 PM
404019 B1	Wed	6+	Ballet	7:00-7:30 PM
404029 B1	Wed	6+	Tap	7:30-8:00 PM
404039 A1	Wed	6+	Jazz	8:00-8:30 PM

FEE PER SESSION-BALLET, TAP OR JAZZ:
\$11 Resident / \$16 Non-resident



Wear: Tap and/or ballet shoes recommended. Please wear t-shirt and shorts, sweats or plain leotard and tights.

PLACE: Sr. High Balcony

ENTER: Use east entrance #21 only

INSTRUCTOR: Alyse Minzlof



FAMILY OPEN GYM

DAY	TIME	BEGINS
Sunday	3:30-5 PM	January 8

Location: West Middle School Gym

Fee: \$5 per family-Residents with ID*
\$7.50 per family-Non-resident*

(*fee paid at the door per session)



Residents must have identification available when arriving.

ENTER: southwest doors at back of school by dumpsters

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Family Game Nights

Wednesday Evenings: 6 - 7:30 PM
January 25-February 22



Do you need something to do on those chilly evenings?

Join us to play some classic board games, talk & spend time with friends & family. We'll have several of each of the classics-Monopoly, Chess, Candyland, Sorry, Clue, & more so everyone can play their favorites. Snacks & juice will also be provided.



All ages welcome. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by a registered adult.

Fee*: \$2 per person resident
\$3 per person non-resident
\$5 maximum per resident family
\$7.50 maximum per non-resident family
(*fee paid at the door per session)

Location: East Middle School Cafeteria

KIDS STUFF



ARTS & CRAFTS

Ages 4 to 8 (8 weeks)

Participants will be creating a variety of arts and crafts activities. All supplies and materials provided. Wear old clothes or bring a smock.

Session 1: Mondays, Jan. 23-March 13

Time	Age	Activity / Section #
6:00 - 6:45 PM	4-5	404002 A1
7:00 - 7:45 PM	5-7	404002 B1

PLACE: Sr. High Art Room

ENTER: East Entrance #21 only

INSTRUCTOR: Jana Merchlewitz



FEE PER SESSION:

Residents \$ 14 / Non-residents \$21



RECREATION GUIDE

FITNESS FUN (AGES 3-6)

Boys & girls will be participating in exercises, creativity, rhythm and balance activities such as dances, games, ball-relays, etc. Wear comfortable play clothing. *Children must be toilet-trained.*

Session I: Thursdays (Jan. 26 to Feb. 23) 5 wks.

Time	Age	Activity / Section #
6:00 - 6:45 PM	3 & 4	404012 A1
6:45 - 7:30 PM	4 & 5	404012 B1

Session II: Thursdays (March 16 to April 13) 5 wks.

Time	Age	Activity / Section #
6:00 - 6:45 PM	3 & 4	104012 A1
6:45 - 7:30 PM	4, 5 & 6	104012 B1

PLACE: Shepard Hills Gym, enter using north doors next to the playground

INSTRUCTOR: Kaela Zielinski

FEE PER SESSION:

Residents \$15

Non-residents \$22.50



BATON AGES 3 & UP

Have you ever wanted to twirl a baton like they do in parades? Come give a twirl & learn the basics of baton. Try some tricks like an off-the-thumb toss or a Jack-in-the-Box Jump! Discover what an airplane spin is too!

SATURDAYS, Jan. 21-Apr. 1 (10 wks.)

No class February 11

TINY TOTS (AGES 3 - 6)

(Reminder: Students are NOT accompanied by parents during class sessions. *Children must be toilet-trained.*)

DAY	TIMES	ACTIVITY / SECT#
Sat	10:00-10:45 AM	404010 B1

AGES 7+ UP

Children will be introduced to basic baton twirls & tricks.

DAY	TIMES	ACTIVITY / SECT #
Sat	10:45-11:30 AM	404010 A1

PLACE: Sr. High High Balcony
ENTER: Use east entrance #21 only

INSTRUCTOR: Sue Piekarski



FEE: Residents \$18 / Non-residents \$27

NOTE: The instructor will have information on purchasing batons at the first class.

Check out the sledding & ice rink info. on page 14-15



KIDS STUFF

MITE SPORTS AGES 4-7



Introductory sports programs for 4 to 7 year old players. Four and five-year old participants concentrate on learning basic skills, six and seven-year olds will practice basic skills and increase their understanding of the rules of the game and proper play. Everyone will have a chance to participate in some "just for fun" scrimmages. Fun, learning and good sportsmanship are stressed at all times. *Children must be toilet-trained.*



Floor Hockey-Session I Sats., Jan. 21 - Feb. 25 (6 weeks)

Time	Age	Activity / Section #
9:45 - 10:30 AM	4 & 5	404013 A1
9:00 - 9:45 AM	6 & 7	404013 B1

FEE PER 6 WK SESSION: Residents \$18/Non-res. \$27

Session II Sats., March 11 to April 8 (5 weeks)

Activity	Time	Age	Activity / Section #
Kickball	9:45-10:30	4 - 6	104013 A1
Soccer	9:00- 9:45	4 & 5	104013 B1

Mr. Pee Wee

Tennis 10:30-11:15 6 - 7 104013 C1

FEE PER ACTIVITY PER 5 WK SESSION:

Residents \$15 / Non-res. \$22.50



PLACE: Shepard Hills School Gym

ENTER: Please enter through north (playground) doors

COORDINATOR: Kellen Haynes

IS SHE/HE OLD ENOUGH?



For all programs, **age requirement will be as of the date of the first class**, unless otherwise specified. Please do not request to have your child put in a class he/she does not belong in. All age requirements are set to benefit the children and make instruction more consistent for the program leader. In some instances, the requirements have been set for the child's safety.

TUMBLING AGES 4 & UP



Twist, turn, stretch, roll & jump!

Tumbling is a fun way to explore muscle control while building upper body strength, coordination and balance.

• **Dress:** Please wear a leotard or t-shirt and shorts or sweats. No jewelry, or clothing with zippers or belt buckles. Long hair should be tied up. Shoes may not be worn in the wrestling room.

TAILS OVER WHISKERS



Beginning tumbling and balance skills for children ages 4 & 5. Reminder: Students are not accompanied by parents during class sessions. *Children must be toilet-trained.*

Session I: January 30 - March 6 (6 weeks)

Tails Over Whiskers (Ages 4 & 5)

DAY	TIMES	ACTIVITY / SECTION #
Mon.	6:00 - 6:45 PM	404005 A1
Mon.	6:45 - 7:30 PM	404005 A2

Session II: March 20 - April 24 (6 weeks)

Tails Over Whiskers (Ages 4 & 5)

DAY	TIMES	ACTIVITY / SECTION #
Mon.	6:00 - 6:45 PM	104005 A1
Mon.	6:45 - 7:30 PM	104005 A2

BEGINNERS

Open to children ages 5 and up who show an interest in learning tumbling. No skill ability is required.

Session I: January 30 - March 6 (6 weeks)

Beginners (Ages 5 & up)

DAY	TIMES	ACTIVITY / SECTION #
Mon.	7:30 - 8:15 PM	404005 B1

Session II: March 20 - April 24 (6 weeks)

Beginners (Ages 5 & up)

DAY	TIMES	ACTIVITY / SECTION #
Mon.	7:30 - 8:15 PM	104005 B1

PLACE: Sr High Wrestling Room

ENTER: Use east entrance #21 only

INSTRUCTOR: Rachel Bielwicz

FEE: Residents \$18 / Non-residents \$27

2006 COMMUNITY BASKETBALL FREE THROW CONTEST



- * Coming to Oak Creek in early February 2006.
- * Watch for flyers in mid-January!
- * Date, time & location to be determined.

YOUTH GOLF INSTRUCTION

AGES 11 - 16 (4 weeks)



Beginner golf instruction is available to youth ages 11-16 wanting to learn the fundamentals of this great sport. Instructor will cover equipment & basic skills focusing on swing, stance & golf terms. Participants using their own clubs should bring a #7 iron to the first class.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	START DATES	TIME
104004 A2	Wed	April 26	4 - 5 PM

PLACE: Gastrau Golf Center, 1300 E. Rawson Avenue
Oak Creek

INSTRUCTORS: Steve Gastrau

FEE: \$12 residents / \$18 Non-residents

REQUIRED GOLF BALL FEE: \$24 unlimited golf ball fee payable to "Gastrau Driving Range: on the FIRST night of class.



TAEKWONDO

AGES 6.5 THRU ADULTS

Tae Kwon Do isn't only about punching & kicking. It teaches the ancient values of honor, respect and persever. Tae Kwon Do is truly a "Way of Life" sport.

BEGINNER

New students, white & high white belts. It is recommended that beginners take both the Tuesday & Thursday classes.

BEGINS January 10 or 12 (8 weeks)

Day	Time	Yth. Act/Sect#	Adlt. Act/Sect#
Tues	6:30-7:30 PM	404306 C1	404306 C2
Thurs	6:30-7:30 PM	404306 C3	404306 C4

BEGINS March 21 or 23 (8 weeks)

Tues	6:30-7:30 PM	104306 C1	104306 C2
Thurs	6:30-7:30 PM	104306 C3	104306 C4

ADVANCED BEGINNER

Students with yellow belts & above.

BEGINS January 10 (8 weeks)

Day	Time	Yth. Act/Sect#	Adlt. Act/Sect#
Tu & Th	7:30-8:30 PM	404306 D1	404306 D2

BEGINS March 21 through May 11 (8 weeks)

Day	Time	Yth. Act/Sect#	Adlt. Act/Sect#
Tu & Th	7:30-8:30 PM	104306 D1	104306 D2

- NO CLASS JANUARY 17 & 19 -

PLACE: Sr. High Wrestling Room

ENTER: East Entrance #21 ONLY

INSTRUCTOR: John Wellstein, 2nd Degree Black Belt

ASSISTANT: Rebecca Jacob, Black Belt

CURRICULUM COORDINATOR: Master James Lowe
5th Degree Black Belt, USA Taekwondo, 31 yrs experience

FEE: Beginner (Once per week per session)

\$24 Youth / \$34 Adult Resident
\$36 Youth / \$51 Adult Non-Resident

Adv Beginner (Twice per week per session)

\$48 Youth / \$68 Adult Resident
\$72 Youth / \$102 Adult Non-Resident

OTHER FEES:

- Dobok (uniform) is required. Cost: \$40 youth, \$45 adult. Instructor will have sizing/ordering information at first class.
- Testing for color belts is available. However, additional fees will apply. Protective sparring gear will need to be purchased for students when they advance.

Registration opens immediately!!

KIDS STUFF

YOUTH WRESTLING

BOYS & GIRLS - GRADES 1 - 8 (8 weeks)

The Oak Creek Parks & Recreation Department is offering a youth wrestling program to promote & teach amateur wrestling fundamentals & sportsmanship.



DATE: Fridays, begins February 3

GRADE	TIMES	ACTIVITY / SECT. #
1-3	6 - 7 PM	404008 A1
4-8	7:15 - 8:15 PM	404008 B1

PLACE: Oak Creek Sr. High Wrestling Rm.

ENTER: Use east entrance #21 ONLY

INSTRUCTOR: David Hampson

FEE: \$16 resident / \$24 non-resident

NO CLASS February 10, 2006



BEGINNER TENNIS INSTRUCTION

Ages 8 & Up
Begins April 29 (5 weeks)

Balls will be provided by the department. Tennis racquets will be available for use during class time.

ACT/SECT#	DAY	AGES	TIME
104007 A1	Sat	8-12	10 AM - 11 AM
104007 A2	Sat	8-12	11 AM - 12 NN
104007 B1	Sat	12 +	12 NN - 1 PM

PLACE: Oak Leaf Tennis Courts

INSTRUCTOR: Dave Larson

FEE: \$ 12 Residents / \$ 18 Non-Residents

USA TaekwonDo



At **USA TKD** we teach families real self defense techniques. Our super-charged curriculum goes far beyond just tournament style, sparring and forms. At **USA TKD** families make the right choice by training under an instructor who has the superior knowledge, skill, compassion and drive to help every single student achieve their personal best. At **USA TKD** classes are not overcrowded. We add more classes as needed to ensure we never get overcrowded and lose focus. At **USA TKD** all students receive their own personal training guide for home study and to keep parents current on their child's progress. At **USA TKD** we do not adhere to the usual belief that only Korean arts are the useful ones. At **USA TKD** diversity is our unmatched strength. We find useful techniques from Japan, Brazil, Korea and, of course, the good 'ole USA. Our students develop the confidence and focus to defend themselves plus the respect to never misuse the awesome power we develop. At **USA TKD** you will get the best training around...period. Make the Right Choice! Join our winning team at **USA TKD** and let Master Lowes' 31 years mixed martial arts training or astounding 21 years working with families and children help you and your family achieve your goals! **Guaranteed.**

Sincerely, *Master James Lowe*

The **RIGHT** Choice!

USA TKD
is #1 in
Oak Creek



**Lil
Dragons
Class--**

**Our
youngest
family
members!**



**2 Private
Lessons! \$19.95**

(414) 571-1312

2151 E. Rawson Ave.-Tower Square



Wacky Science with Mad Science

Ages 4 - 12

This program begins with the “Up, Up & Away Special Event Show.” Mad Science will “blow the lid off” of science with fan-tab-ulous experts that address the properties wind, air and air pressure. Some lucky audience members will even get the chance to float across the room on a cushion of air in the Mad Science Hover Craft. You will get hands-on science when you visit the Bubbling Potions Fun Stations where you get to take a Mad Science Shower and learn about dry ice and all the fun things it can do. You will all visit the Superball Fun Station and learn about the science of chemical change and make your own high bouncing superball and more.

Activity/Section: 104023 A1



DATE: Saturday, April 1

TIME: 9 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: Sr. High Art Room

ENTER: Use east entrance only #21 only

FEE: Residents \$22 / Non-residents \$24.50

**NO REFUNDS
after Mar. 24**

Webelos Scout Badges (Gr. 4 & 5)

Saturday, January 28: 9 - 11 AM

A workshop will including interactive, hands-on, fun science workshop. All materials and supplies provided. Upon completion, the scout will be able to earn a badge (actual badge not included)

• Scientist Badge:

- Explanation and demonstration of Bernoulli's Principle, Pascal's Law and Newton's First Law of Motion.
- Demonstration of Air Pressure-you will meet our friend Eggbert in this experiment.
- Model Rocket-Mad Scientist explains the construction of a model rocket and demonstrates a NASA style countdown (weather permitting)
- Fog Demo-You will see the weather change before your eyes when our Mad Scientist creates fog.
- Make some Crystals-Explore the world of Chemistry while making Crystal Gardens.
- Center of Gravity-You will learn what ballet dancers, football players and scientists all have in common!
- Optical Illusions-Seeing is believing . . .you will be amazed to learn how your eyes really work.

Activity / Section#: 404023 A2



LOCATION: Sr. High Art Room

ENTER: Use east entrance #21 only

FEE: Residents \$22 / Non-residents \$24.50

**NO REFUNDS
after Jan. 20**

Brownie Try-It Badges

Saturday, February 25: 9 - 11 AM

Grades 1 & 2

An interactive, hands-on, fun science workshop. All materials and supplies provided. Upon completion the scout will be able to earn two Try-It badges (actual badges not included)

• Science Wonders Try It Badge:

- Making Crystals-Explore the world of chemistry while making Crystal Gardens.
- Making bubbles-have fun making bubble magic!
- Magnet Hunt-become a magnet detective.
- Static Electricity-learn about this hair raising phenomenon.

• Science in Action Try It Badge:

- Making Weird Glop-Explore the world of polymers while making Mad Science Slime.
- Balloon Blowing-Learn how to blow up a balloon without using your own breath.
- Magnetic Box-Create a magnetic attraction box and learn about magnets.
- Color Wheels-Experiment with the Science of Color.

Activity / Section #: 404023 A1



LOCATION: Sr. High-Art Room

ENTER: Use east entrance #21 only

FEE: Residents \$22 / Non-residents \$24.50

**NO REFUNDS
after Feb. 17**

TEEN ACTIVITIES

RED CROSS BABYSITTING COURSE

AGES 11 & UP



The Red Cross Babysitting Course helps you learn the responsibilities of a baby-sitter. Topics include: safety, supervision and basic care of children.

Attendance at all class sessions & completion of all written assignments & skills is required to receive certification.

Mon. Feb. 20 & Feb. 27

6 - 9 PM

ACTIVITY/SECT.#: 404001 A1

PLACE: City Hall-Lower Level Conference Room

ENTER: Use east entrance to City Hall--all others will be locked!

BRING: pencil/pen & optional snack/beverage

INSTRUCTOR: Sue Stadler

OR

Wed. March 15 & Wed. March 22

6 - 9 PM

ACTIVITY/SECT.#: 104001 A1

PLACE: City Hall-Lower Level Conference Room

ENTER: Use east entrance to City Hall--all others will be locked!

BRING: pencil/pen & optional snack/beverage

INSTRUCTOR: Sue Stadler

OR

Mon. May 8 & May 15

6 - 9 PM

ACTIVITY/SECT.#: 104001 A2

PLACE: City Hall-Lower Level Conference Room

ENTER: Use east entrance to City Hall--all others will be locked!

BRING: pencil/pen & optional snack/beverage

INSTRUCTOR: Sue Stadler



NO REFUNDS ONCE CLASS BEGINS!

FEE (includes book): Residents \$33.00
Non-resident \$49.50

TEEN OPEN BASKETBALL

AGES 11-16



DAY **TIME** **BEGINS**
Sunday 2 - 3:30 PM January 8**

PLACE: West Middle School Gym

ENTER: Southwest doors at back of school by dumpsters

FEE PAID AT THE DOOR PER SESSION:

\$1 Residents with ID

\$2 Non-resident

Residents must have identification available when arriving.

****Will continue until March 25 IF attendance is good. Please call the activity tape at 299-9721, Press 1. Season may be shortened if participation is low.**



Funsports

Ages: 9 to 14

Saturdays

Time to stop hibernating and join us for activities & games! This class will feature a different game each week including water polo, bocce ball, volley-basketball (a whole new way to play!) and kickball. The goal is to introduce a variety of games that promote active lifestyles and healthy living.

DATE	TIME	ACTIV/LOCATION	ACTIV/SECT#
Mar 11	1-2:30 PM	Volley-basketball-WMS Gym	109102 A2
Mar 25	1-2:30 PM	Innertube Water Polo-HS Pool	109102 A3
April 8	1-2:30 PM	Bocce ball-OCHS ball diamond	109102 A4
April 22	1-2:30 PM	Kickball-OCHS ball diamond	109102 A5

FEE PER CLASS: \$ 3 each resident
\$ 5 each non-resident

SAVE !!!!! HAVE 4 TIMES THE FUN! Register for all 4 activities: (Use Activity 109102 A1)
\$10 resident \$15 non-resident



GOLF (4 CLASSES)

ADULTS & YOUTH AGE 16+

Begins April 26

BEGINNER LESSONS

Take a swing & join the fun! Learn basic golf fundamentals focusing on proper grip, stance and swing. You'll have plenty of opportunities to hit balls. Participants using their own clubs should bring a #7 iron to the first class.

Wednesdays begins April 26

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY/SECTION#
Wed	5-6 PM	106504 B1
Wed	6-7 PM	106504 B2

INTERMEDIATE - ADVANCED LESSONS

This class is geared toward the person who is scoring in the low 50's or high 40's for 9 holes. Emphasis will be placed on improving fundamentals, specialty shots & course management.

Wednesdays begins April 26

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY/SECTION#
Wed	7 - 8 PM	106514 B1

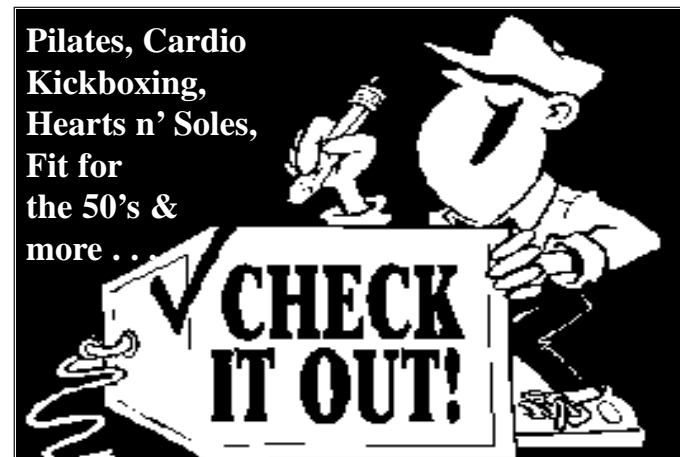
PLACE: Gastrau Golf Center
1300 E. Rawson Avenue, Oak Creek

INSTRUCTORS: Steve Gastrau

FEE PER SECTION: \$28 residents *
\$42 non-residents*

REQUIRED GOLF BALL FEE: \$24 unlimited golf ball fee payable to "Gastrau Driving Range: on the FIRST night of class.

Pilates, Cardio
Kickboxing,
Hearts n' Soles,
Fit for
the 50's &
more . . .



ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUES 14 GAME SEASON

Begins: Week of April 24, 2006

Team entry fee: \$165 for outseam
\$185 for inseam

Player Fee: \$13.50 per player



RESIDENT TEAM PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:

* Resident teams must consist of a minimum of 51% residents of Oak Creek

LEAGUES

LOCATION

MONDAY EVENINGS

Men's Recreation-Inseam East Middle School Field
Women's Recreation-Inseam Shepard Hills West Field

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Men's Open-Inseam East Middle School Field

THURSDAY EVENINGS

Men's Gold-Inseam East Middle School Field

FRIDAY EVENINGS

Adult Co-Rec-Outseam Shepard Hills West Field

Complete eligibility policies & procedures are contained in team packets. Please call for details.

RETURNING RESIDENT TEAM REGISTRATION
begins Monday, February 6 (51% residents at end of 2005 season)

NEW RESIDENT TEAMS: Mon., Feb. 13, 2006

NON-RESIDENT TEAMS: call the Recreation Office at 768-6515 for the registration date or for further information.

TENNIS INSTRUCTION (5 CLASSES)

ADULTS & YOUTH AGE 16+

Tennis instruction is being offered for adults. Racquets will be available for use during classes. Balls are provided.



DAY	STARTS	TIME	ACTIVITY/SECTION#
Sat	April 22	9 - 10 AM	106507 A1

PLACE: Oak Leaf Tennis Courts

FEE: \$20 Residents/ \$30 Non-residents

INSTRUCTOR: Dave Larson

THE SPORTS PAGE

OPEN BASKETBALL PROGRAM-18+

DAY	TIME	AGE(S)	BEGINS / ENDS
Sunday	6-7:30 PM	35 & Up	Jan. 8-Mar. 26
Sunday	7:30-9 PM	18 & Up	Jan. 8-Mar. 26

PLACE: West Middle School Gym

ENTER: Southwest doors at back of school by dumpster

FEE PAID AT THE DOOR PER SESSION:

- \$2 Residents with ID
- \$3 Non-residents

Residents must have identification available when arriving.



- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Scuba Diving | Aqua Fit |
| Cardio Kickboxing | Step Up Aerobics |
| Walk It Off | Yoga |
| Fitness Walking | Pilates |
| First Aid | CPR |
| Open Swim | Open Family Gym |
| Lap Swim | Swim Lessons |
| Hearts 'n Soles | You Can! |
| Fit for the 50's | Gymboree |
| Fitness Fun | Mite Sports |
| Tumbling | Dance |
| TaeKwonDo | Wrestling |
| Tennis | Golf |
| Funsports | Softball |
| Youthball | ... much more |

We're Sorry: Children are not allowed to attend adult classes/activities! As much as we love them, we have found that adult classes/activities are too long for children to wait quietly & they often cause disruptions in class. Please make other arrangements for their care while you are enjoying your class/activity.

Think twice about your child care needs

- 1. Does your child's teacher have a college degree? Our teachers do.**
- 2. What about personalized curriculum planning and small class sizes? It's our specialty.**

Consider enrolling your child where there's professional preschool, quality child care and fun all in the same place.



Early Childhood Educational Center

Across from Edgewood Elementary
8630 S. Shepard Ave. • Oak Creek
(414) 571-6949

ececkids.com

Adjacent to Deerfield Elementary
10479 S. Chicago Rd. • Oak Creek
(414) 764-6970

WINTER FUN

Investment Portfolio

Roth I.R.A.

Mutual Fund

Stock Market

CD's

401K Plan

My Community

The Environment

A Healthy Lifestyle

**Parks and Recreation...
"IS Your Best
Investment"!**

HENRY MILLER PARK ICE RINK

HENRY MILLER PARK ICE RINK & SHELTER will be opened as soon as safe skating is established. Hot chocolate will be sold during supervised hours. Unsupervised ice skating is available during daylight hours when the weather & ice conditions permit.

NOTE: Supervised ice skating hours are subject to staff availability and ice and weather conditions. **Please call the activity tape at 299-9721, Press 1, after December 15th** for current ice rink schedule.

Henry Miller Park ice rink & shelter can be reserved--see page 13.



SKI OR SNOWBOARD LESSONS

Oak Creek Parks & Recreation is teaming up with Crystal Ridge Ski area to offer ski or snowboard lessons this winter. A great opportunity for the whole family to enjoy our Wisconsin winters together. Fee includes lift and 1 hour lesson & rental. **** Fee includes three lessons**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Lesson</u>	<u>Age(s)</u>	<u>Activity/Sect.#</u>	<u>Check In</u>	<u>Lesson Time</u>	<u>Fee**</u>
Tues	Jan 3, 10 & 17	Ski	10 to Adult	403501 A1	6 PM	6:30 PM	\$65
Thurs	Jan 5, 12 & 19	Ski	10 to Adult	403501 A2	6 PM	6:30 PM	\$65
Tues	Jan 3, 10 & 17	Snowboard	14 to Adult	403503 A1	6 PM	6:30 PM	\$90
Thur	Jan 5, 12 & 19	Snowboard	14 to Adult	403503 A2	6 PM	6:30 PM	\$90

PLACE: Crystal Ridge Ski Area (76th St. & Rawson Ave.); one mile south of Southridge

NO REFUNDS, Registration Opens Immediately

See page 14 for sledding locations & ice rink locations

STEP UP TO HEALTH: "Arctic Blast"

Don't hibernate this

winter! You can feel better, improve your health & have a blast this winter. Oak Creek Parks, Rec. & Forestry will be offering some exciting opportunities for community members to take part in our Step Up to Health program.



Jan 15-March 10th

Snap a picture of your masterpiece then follow entry instructions below. Stop in & enjoy the picture display in the Parks & Rec Office!

March 13-15: Vote for your favorite creation!

March 16th: Winners will be announced!

FAMILY Ice Skating Day
Henry Miller Park Pavilion
Saturday, January 21
4 PM to 8 PM

- * One adult required per group of children
- * Free Hot Chocolate & Cookies
- * Drawing for Door Prizes
- * First 50 people will receive a polar fleece scarf

IF ice skating is not available, our Family Day will move indoors to the East Middle School Gym (same time). Drop in for a fun, friendly game of family kickball. Warning! Grown ups will be "handicapped" to even the playing field.

ANNOUNCING 1st Annual
"ARCTIC BLAST"
SNOW SCULPTING
CONTEST

EXERCISE YOUR CREATIVITY! Get together with family & friends. It's simple, fun, & anyone can join in! Here's how to play:



Jan 15-Feb 24th:

Pick your day to gather a group of any size & build a creation out of snow. Start with a traditional snowman- or let your imagination run wild.

Rules:

1. All creations must be located on property within the City of Oak Creek (please ask permission before constructing on property you do not own!) OR if outside the City, built by a group that includes at least 50% Oak Creek residents, or children who attend OC/ Franklin Public schools. Enter as often as the weather permits.

2. Any picture deemed to be potentially offensive or inappropriate for any age, cultural, or religious group will not be displayed and will not be eligible for prizes.

3. Prizes will be awarded as follows: 1st, 2nd & 3rd place rosette ribbons & a surprise gift basket, in the following categories:

- * Youth organizations & school groups
- * Adult organizations- ie: sports/rec/service groups
- * Business-employees & friends
- * General-individuals, families and/or friends

To enter:

Fill out an entry form available on page 46, online (print & submit), pick up at the Park & Rec office, library or Community Center, & submit with your photo by mail, drop-off, or email (dlukasik@oakcreekwi.org).

Deadline for submission is 4:45 pm March 10th

Photo's will be returned only if you include a SASE with your submission & label your picture with your name & address.

Note: Parks, Rec. & Forestry employees are not eligible to participate as a group, but may be part of an outside group consisting of no more than 25% employees.

REGISTRATION MADE EASY!

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RESIDENT REGISTRATION

IMMEDIATELY:

MAIL, FAX or DROP OFF your registration!

Jan. 4 ALL registrations received in the office by mail, drop-box or fax **will be shuffled & processed at random beginning at 1 PM.** Any registrations received after that time will be processed at random beginning **January 9** with walk-in registration.

Jan. 9 **Oak Creek resident walk-in & phone-in registration**

Jan. 16 **Non-resident Phone-in & walk-in registration accepted. MasterCard or Visa only**

Don't wait! Some classes fill before walk-in, phone & non-resident registrations begin.

Drop boxes located at:

East & south entrances to City Hall
East end of City Hall parking lot

Mail to:

Oak Creek Parks, Recreation & Forestry
8640 S. Howell Ave.,
Oak Creek, WI 53154



Fax to: (414) 768-6518

Credit card info, proof of residency & date of birth must be included with fax-in registrations

NOTES:

- Receipts will be mailed or given to all registrants! Please check them carefully!
- You **WILL** be notified if your class is filled
- The Department is not responsible for registrations not received due to missing or improper labels, postage, etc.
- Cash, check, VISA/MasterCard are accepted for payment.
- A \$3 service fee will be charged on refunds.
- Instructors will not accept registration and or payment at class site.

WAITING LISTS

- If the class you want to register for is filled or does not meet at a time or date you can attend, be sure your name is put on a waiting list.
- Waiting lists do not carry over from one season to the next.
- We will call off the wait list until 1/3 of the class has been completed.

COMING SOON !!! WEBTRAC ON-LINE REGISTRATION

Check our webpage beginning in Spring 2006 for details on when this convenient registration option will be available.

www.oakcreekwi.org

click on City Departments, then Parks & Rec

PROOF OF RESIDENCY & DATE OF BIRTH REQUIREMENTS:

- All children are required to show proof of their date of birth at their first registration.
- If the child's name does not match the parent who is presenting proof of residency, proof of residency will be required for the child.
- Proof of residency for all Oak Creek residents is required at time of each registration

QUESTIONS / CLARIFICATION?
(414) 768-6515

AM I A RESIDENT?

The non-resident fee applies to any person whose primary residence is not within the Oak Creek city limits at the time of registration. Attendance in the Oak Creek-Franklin School District does not constitute residency. All persons registering for activities must show proof of current City residency with each registration. If proof of residency cannot be validated, the non-resident fee will apply.

PARKS, RECREATION & FORESTRY OFFICE

HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 8 AM - 4:45 PM
OFFICE(414) 768-6515

24 HR. ACTIVITY INFORMATION TAPE.....(414) 299-9721
Press 1 for General Information
Press 2 for Team Sports Information
Press 3 for Registration Information

FAX.....(414) 768-6518

WEB: www.oakcreekwi.org

RECREATION ACTIVITY REGISTRATION FORM ~ PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY ~

FIRST / LAST NAME (parent/guardian) _____
 HOME PHONE () _____ WORK PHONE () _____ Mom's *or* Dad's
 CELL PHONE (Mom) () _____ CELL PHONE (Dad) () _____
 ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____
 E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ Check if this is new address, phone, name change, etc.

EMERGENCY CONTACT (if different from above) Name: _____ Relationship to Participant: _____

home# _____ work #: _____ cell #: _____

PARTICIPANTS' FIRST / LAST NAME	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH**	GRADE <small>2005-2006</small>	CHOICE	PROGRAM TITLE / LEVEL / SESSION	REQUIRED - -		FEE
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Special Considerations: (i.e. medication, disability needs, etc.) _____ **TOTAL FEES:** _____

ALL REGISTRATIONS must include proof of residency (current address on check, driver's license, utility bill, magazine label, lease, etc) **AND** proof of date of birth** (birth certificate, church records, etc.) [See Page 42 for details.](#)

VISA MC **Account #:** _____ **Exp. Date:** _____
 Signature _____

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

I understand that the Oak Creek Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department does not assume liability for payment of medical-hospital expenses which may be incurred by myself while participating in this activity, but said liability will be assumed by myself for the duration of the activity. Further, I understand that the School District in which these activities may be conducted does not assume liability for payment of medical-hospital expenses incurred in the activity sponsored by the Oak Creek Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department of the City of Oak Creek, Wisconsin. Participants who do not have medical-hospital insurance coverage are encouraged to purchase this coverage from their own insurance agent for the duration of the activity.

I HAVE READ & FULLY UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE WAIVER OF LIABILITY STATEMENT.

SIGNED _____ **DATE** _____

CHECK PAYABLE TO: OCPRF or OAK CREEK PARKS, REC. & FORESTRY
FAX TO: (414) 768-6518
MAIL TO: OAK CREEK PARKS, REC. & FORESTRY • 8640 S. HOWELL AVENUE • OAK CREEK, WI 53154

<p>OFFICE USE ONLY: NEED HAVE PROOF _____ DOB _____ _____ RESIDENCY _____ _____ CHILD RES. _____ RECEIPT #: _____ DATE: _____ INITIALS: _____</p>	<p>OFFICE NOTES: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____</p>
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FEEL FREE TO PHOTOCOPY THIS PAGE IF YOU NEED MORE ROOM OR ANOTHER REGISTRATION FORM

REGISTRATION FORM

Here's your chance to make any comments/suggestions. Don't hold anything back!
We're always looking to improve programs & offer new classes.



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Optional: Please call me concerning these suggestions / comments. yes no

Name: _____ Day Phone # (8 AM-4:30 PM) _____

E-mail address: _____

Looking for a part-time job? Begin the application process here! We may be interested in offering a class or program, but haven't found an instructor!

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Your Age Bracket: (circle one) 14-15 yrs. 16-17 yrs. 18 & older

Position Applied For: _____ E-mail address: _____

Return with your registration, fax, mail or drop it off at:
Oak Creek Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department
8640 S. Howell Ave, Oak Creek, WI 53154
FAX to (414) 768-6518

Thank You!



**HELP KEEP YOUR COMMUNITY
SAFE FROM VANDALISM**

**Report vandalism & graffiti to the
Oak Creek Police Department
762-8200**

(or **911** if the vandalism is in progress)

Vandalism & Graffiti

- Know why vandalism happens, who's involved & what you can do to help prevent it.
- Report vandalism when you see it happening.
- Join in community efforts to stop vandalism.

LET'S KEEP OUR PARKS FREE OF VANDALISM & GRAFFITI!

RECREATION ACTIVITY REGISTRATION FORM ~ PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY ~

FIRST / LAST NAME (parent/guardian) _____
 HOME PHONE () _____ WORK PHONE () _____ Mom's or Dad's
 CELL PHONE (Mom) () _____ CELL PHONE (Dad) () _____
 ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____
 E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ Check if this is new address, phone, name change, etc.

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home# _____ work #: _____ cell #: _____

PARTICIPANTS' FIRST / LAST NAME	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH**	GRADE <small>2005-2006</small>	CHOICE	PROGRAM TITLE / LEVEL / SESSION	REQUIRED--		FEE
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REGISTRATION FORM

Arctic Blast Snow Sculpting Contest Registration Form

Rules:

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 - * Youth organizations & school groups
 - * Adult organizations-ie:sports/rec/service groups
 - * Business-employees & friends
 - * General-individuals, families &/or friends



To enter:

Fill out an entry form below, online (print & submit), pick up at the Park & Rec office, library or Community Center, & submit with your photo by mail, drop- off, or e-mail to dlukasik@oakcreekwi.org Enter as often as the weather permits.

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Dates to Remember:

Jan 15-Feb 24th:

Pick your day to gather a group of any size & build a creation out of snow. Start with a traditional snowman-or let your imagination run wild.

Jan 15-March 10th

Snap a picture of your masterpiece then follow the entry instructions above. Stop in & enjoy the

picture display in the Parks & Rec Office!

March 13-15:Come in and vote for your favorite creation!



March 16:

WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Phone: _____

Project Name: _____

Location of Project: _____ Date Built: _____

Full Names of Participants: _____

Check one:

This project is located in Oak Creek **OR** 50% of my group are Oak Creek Residents

Category: Yth organizations/school groups Adult Organizations:sports/rec/service groups
 Business (employees/friends) General (individuals/families/friends)

Signature: _____



SPRING PREVIEW

Program Coordinator: John Keane

REGISTRATION: DO NOT REGISTER NOW! Flyers will be available at the Recreation Office & will be distributed to local elementary & middle school the **FIRST PART OF APRIL 2006**.
Resident Registration begins April 24, 2006
Non-Resident registration opens May 15, 2006.

TEE BALL PROGRAM

YOUTH AGES 4 1/2 BY APRIL 1, 2006 THROUGH GRADE 1
ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE

BEGINS: Week of June 12

PLACE: Senior High Ballfields

AM TEE BALL PROGRAM (M/W or Tu/Th)

TIME: 9 AM - 10:15 AM

EVENING T-BALL PROGRAM (M/W or Tu/Th)

TIME: 6 PM - 7:15 PM, Same dates as day program

ROOKIE BALL

(UMPIRES PITCH)

BOYS & GIRLS IN GRADES 1, 2 & 3

BEGINS: Monday through Thursday, June 12 - 15

TIME: 10:30 - 11:45 AM

PLACE: Senior High Ballfields

PRACTICES/GAMES

- Begin the week of June 12
- Mondays thru Thursdays daily

ELEMENTARY BASEBALL PROGRAM

BOYS & GIRLS IN GRADES 3, 4, 5 & 6

BEGINS: Monday through Thursday, June 12 - 15

TIME: 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

PLACE: Senior High Ballfields

ELEMENTARY GIRLS SOFTBALL PROGRAM

GIRLS IN GRADES 3, 4, 5 & 6

BEGINS: Monday through Thursday, June 12 - 15

TIME: 2:45 PM - 4:00 PM

PLACE: Senior High Ballfields



CITY PHONE DIRECTORY

Administrator's Office	768-6591
Assessor	768-6506
City Clerk	768-6500
TDD Telephone	768-6513
Engineering	768-6541
Fire (Non-Emergency)	570-5630
General Information	768-6500
Health	768-6525
Inspection	768-6547
Library	764-4400
Mayor	768-6548
Planning	768-6527
Police	762-8200
Open Records Requests	766-7658
Municipal Court	766-7621
Parks, Recreation & Forestry	768-6515
24 Hr. Activity Tape	299-9721
Fax	768-6518
Forestry	768-5861
Forever Young Club	768-5850
Streets	768-6552
Treasurer	768-6501

UTILITY DIRECTORY

Water Utility	570-8210
Emergency	768-7060
Ameritech Repair	1-888-611-2344
WE Energies	
Customer Service	1-800-242-9137
Gas Leak or Emergency	1-800-261-5325
Power Outage Hotline	1-800-662-4797
Diggers Hotline	1-800-242-8511
Wisconsin Natural Gas	1-800-236-9874

RECREATION HELP WANTED

WINTER/SPRING:

- * Lifeguards
- * Swim Instructors
- * Tumbling Instructor
- * Art/Craft Instructor
- * Summer part-time maintenance laborers
- * Are you interested in teaching a class or program?
See Page 44 and fill out the mini-application form.

NEW PROGRAMS THIS WINTER/SPRING!

- Family Open Gym
- Pilates
- New Gymboree Classes
- Cardio Kickboxing
- New Mad Science Classes
- Pet First Aid
- Hearts 'n Soles
- Arctic Blast
- Family Game Night
- YOU CAN!-Steps to Healthier Aging

Keep this guide for future reference! **Winter & Spring 2006 information enclosed**

CITY OF OAK CREEK

Acorn Recreation Guide and City Newsletter

* January * February. * March *April * May 2006

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