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City of Oak Creek
Newsletter & Recreation Guide

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CITY CELEBRATIONS

Don’t miss the last two Summer Concerts!

Located at the Oak Creek Community Center
 8580 S. Howell Avenue
 Rain or Shine – 7pm to 9pm
 Wednesday, August 21 – Southern Tradition
 Wednesday, August 28 – Mt. Olive

Come Celebrate 10 years of music with us!

10th Annual Pig and Chicken Roast



Sunday, September 8, 201 - Noon until 4pm
 Don’t forget to join us at Henry Miller Park, 315 E. Groveland, Oak Creek. Join us for cheap food, live music, and children games

Trick or Treat!

Halloween Safe Site
 4pm to 6pm
 Sunday, October 27, 2013
 Corner of 15th and Forest Hill Ave



Community Tree Lighting with Santa

Sunday, December 1, 2013 at 5 PM
 City Hall/Oak Creek Community Center. Bring the kids for a picture with Santa, cookies and music!

Visit the City of Oak Creek website for updates and details on all events or email us at celebrations@oakcreekwi.org.

Halloween Safety

With Halloween just around the corner, the Police Department would like to remind parents of a few tips to keep your children safe while trick-or-treating:

- Children should always trick-or-treat with an adult or older sibling.
- Costumes should be reflective, flame retardant, and should fit properly to prevent trips and falls.
- Consider wearing makeup instead of a mask which may hinder or restrict your child’s vision.
- Stay in neighborhoods with people whom you are familiar with.
- Remind children not to eat their goodies before an adult can check them.
- Eat only unopened candies and those in original wrappers only.
- Put your outside house light on to show that your family is participating in trick-or-treating.
- Remove objects from your yard that might present a hazard to trick-or-treaters.
- Keep an eye out for suspicious activities or persons in your neighborhood.



Drexel Town Square Project & Oak Creek Fire Department Update

The Drexel Town Square project is well underway. Approvals for construction of a new City Hall and Library will begin in the Spring of 2014. It is expected that significant announcements for other development at the site will be made before year end. Infrastructure is expected to be installed beginning late this year. Also, a replacement for Fire Station #1 has been approved and will be underway either late this year or in the Spring of 2014.

LIBRARY/CITY HALL - SOUTH PLAZA



FIRE STATION NO. 1



LIBRARY - WEST EXTERIOR



CITY HALL/LIBRARY - NORTH PLAZA



Recently, the State Legislature and governor approved the state's budget for 2013-2015. Passage of the budget will bring an additional 4% funding to help support City roadways in 2015. Continuation of a levy freeze for property taxes is included in the approval of the State biennial budget. The lack of new revenues continues to pose challenges in meeting City operations including infrastructure replacements, replacement of vehicles, maintenance of buildings, and in meeting employee expectations for wages and benefits.

The effect of State and local decisions for residents tax relief is that tax levies in the City's general fund in 2013 are less than they were five years ago in 2009. As the City begins preparations for its 2014 budget, the lack of revenue growth in light of cost increases in everything from utilities, vehicle purchases, materials and supplies, insurance, and other products and services necessary to accomplish work, will continue to challenge the ability of our employees, supervisors, and managers to operate within existing budgets.

These conditions are not unique to Oak Creek but are being felt by municipal operations as well as by educational institutions throughout

the state. We are, however, seeing positive indicators that the economy in Oak Creek is improving as evidenced by the recent submission of two preliminary subdivision plats to create additional single family building lots in the City. Single family building lots have been harder to come by over the last several years as the inventory of properties suitable for single family developments have decreased. Prior to these subdivision submittals, the last subdivision approved by the City was in 2006.


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PARK , PAVILLION & FACILITY RENTAL INFORMATION
Want to reserve facilities? Phone the Oak Creek Recreation Department at 768-6515

Facility Rental Information	Resident Fees	Non-Res. Fees
Courts, ball fields, picnic areas, etc. EXCEPT those below: Ball fields: East Middle School, Shepard Hills & Abendschein All facilities: * Does not include equipment and supplies * Call for league, tournament and special event rates * Ball fields available for use April 1, weather & field conditions permitting * Facilities not reserved may be used on a 1 st -come, 1 st -serve * Proof of residency required for resident rate * To receive resident group rates, we may require a team roster	\$4 per hour \$6 per hour * Rent 90 days in advance * Can reserve most facilities online	\$ 8 per hour \$12 per hour * Rent 30 days in advance * Reserve by phoning Rec office
Open Air Shelters - 28 Ft. Hexagon * includes 2 picnic tables and trash can	1-4 Hrs: \$18 flat fee Over 4 Hrs: \$5/hr Rent 1 year in advance	1-4 Hrs: \$36 flat fee Over 4 Hrs: \$10/hr Rent 30 days in advance
Open Air Shelters - 40 Ft. Hexagon Abendschein Park ONLY * includes 2 picnic tables and trash can	1-4 Hrs: \$24 flat fee Over 4 Hrs: \$5/hr Rent 1 year in advance	1-4 Hrs: \$48 flat fee Over 4 Hrs: \$10/hr Rent 30 days in advance
Abendschein Park Concession Stand Hours: 8 am to 10 pm Security Deposit \$35	Daily \$35 flat fee Beer Permit \$10 Rent 90 days in advance	Daily \$70 flat fee Beer Permit \$10 Rent 30 days in advance
Henry Miller Park Pavilion, 315 E. Groveland, Oak Creek * Contact Recreation Office for cancellation policy and security deposit information * Inside: 6 picnic tables, 2 serving tables, counter, refrigerator with freezer * Outside: +/- 25 picnic tables * Fire Code: Maximum 60 persons * Indoor men's and women's handicap accessible rest rooms * There is no stove or microwave	Weekends/Holidays \$90 flat fee Monday thru Friday \$45 flat fee Security Deposit \$45 Beer Permit \$10 Rent 1 year in advance	Weekends/Holidays \$180 flat fee Monday thru Friday \$90 flat fee Security Deposit \$45 Beer Permit \$10 Rent 30 days in advance
See Page 14 & 15 for facility description, locations and map		

Volleyball Set Rental

Includes:
 poles
 anchors
 volleyball
 net
 stakes



Call in advance to reserve. Quantities limited.

Resident Fee:
 \$5 per day
 \$10 per weekend/holiday weekend
 (Fri/Sat/Sun)

\$20 security deposit

To reserve a
**volleyball set,
 picnic pack
 or reserve
 a facility**

Phone:

Oak Creek
 Recreation

414-768-6515

Mon-Fri
 8 am - 4:45 pm

Picnic Pack Rental

Includes:
 volleyball set
 throw bases
 2 frisbees
 scoop ball set with ball
 kickball and football



Call in advance to reserve. Quantities limited.

Resident Fee:
 \$6 per day
 \$15 per weekend/holiday weekend
 (Fri/Sat/Sun)

\$20 security deposit

REMINDER FOR RESPONSIBLE DOG AND CAT OWNERS



A pet has a special place in your family. Owning a pet is not a responsibility to be taken lightly. Pet owners must comply with Wisconsin laws and city ordinances related to dogs and cats. Pets must be licensed and have proof of current rabies vaccination. If your pet bites a person, an order is issued that the animal be quarantined for ten days so that it can be observed for signs of rabies. Requirements vary depending on the rabies vaccination status. An unvaccinated dog or cat must be delivered within 24 hours after the order is issued to an isolation facility (e.g. veterinary clinic or Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control) at your expense. For a dog or cat with a current rabies vaccination, the animal may be quarantined on the owner's premises; the owner is responsible for cost of the three required veterinary exams. Per the City of Oak Creek ordinance, all animal bites must be reported to the Police Department.

PRENATAL CARE COORDINATION (PNCC)



Pregnancy is a time of change. Every woman can use help with planning for a healthy pregnancy, getting ready for a new baby, and the lifestyle change that a new baby brings to the family. That is why the Health Department is now offering PNCC! Prenatal Care Coordination is a Medicaid benefit that helps pregnant women get the support and services they need to have a healthy baby.

A care coordinator will listen to your concerns, answer questions, and work with you one on one to provide a personalized, confidential plan of care.

If you are interested, please contact the Health Department for more information.

TAKE 3 TO FIGHT THE FLU

Flu is a serious contagious disease that can lead to hospitalization and even death. Flu-like symptoms include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue. The Oak Creek Health Department and the CDC say "Take 3" actions to fight the flu.

- 1) Take time to get the flu vaccine. It is recommended for everyone 6 months and older. Look for our flu clinics beginning in October.
- 2) Take everyday preventive actions to stop the spread of germs. Avoid close contact with sick people. If you are sick with flu-like illness, CDC recommends that you stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone. Limit contact with others. Cover your cough. Wash your hands often. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth. Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with germs.
- 3) Take flu antiviral drugs if your doctor prescribes them.

HEALTHY LIVING SEMINARS

This past spring, the Health Department and Aurora Health Care partnered to offer a series of seminars on stress management, Feldenkrais exercises, and healthy tailgating to Oak Creek residents!

To join in on the fun, please check our website at <http://www.oakcreekwi.org/health/index.htm> to learn about upcoming healthy living seminars that will once again be offered by the Health Department and Aurora Health Care this fall.

FOLLOW US ON TWITTER!

The Oak Creek Health Department is now using Twitter. Follow us @OakCreekHealth for health-related news and other healthy living tips!



HEALTH ASSESSMENT SURVEYS NOW AVAILABLE

The Health Department is asking Oak Creek residents to participate in our Community Health Assessment Survey. By participating, you will help us to identify the health-related concerns of the community, which will in turn help us to improve the services offered to all Oak Creek residents! The survey is anonymous and only takes 10 minutes to complete. Please access the survey online at <http://www.oakcreekwi.org/health/index.htm> or pick up a paper version at the Health Department.

LYME DISEASE PREVENTION WHILE HUNTING AND USING HIKING TRAILS



Lyme disease is an infection transmitted by the bite of a deer tick commonly found on vegetation and animals. Symptoms of the disease include fever, chills, headache, joint stiffness, weakness and fatigue. The deer tick is most active during the spring and fall.

To prevent contracting the disease wear long sleeves and pants. Also, apply an insect repellent containing the chemical commonly known as DEET (in a concentration of 20 to 30%). Brush off clothing before going inside and immediately remove any attached tick with a tweezers by grabbing the head and pulling it straight out. Contact your health care provider if you suspect that you have been exposed.

WHAT'S IN YOUR GO-KIT?

If you don't know what a go-kit is, check out our "Twelve Months of Preparedness" program at <http://www.oakcreekwi.org/health/preparedness/index.htm> and resolve to be ready for any disaster!

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FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Fire Prevention Week is October 6-12. This annual event raises awareness for fire safety throughout the country. Following a declaration by President Woodrow Wilson in 1920, Fire Prevention Week has been recognized each year since 1922. It commemorates the Great Chicago Fire of 1871. However, on the same days, the largest forest fire in American history occurred in Peshtigo, Wisconsin. By the time the Peshtigo fire was completely extinguished, 16 towns were burned down and 1,152 people were killed. This year, as in years past, the Oak Creek Fire Department will be visiting Oak Creek grade schools to spread the fire prevention message to the "Junior Firefighters." This year's theme is "Prevent Kitchen Fires". From 2007-2011, kitchen fires accounted for 853 million dollars in property damage. See you in October!

SHOVEL YOUR HYDRANTS

Please remember to shovel snow from around fire hydrants located on your property. The Fire Department needs 3 feet of clearance on all sides of the hydrants to properly connect fire hoses. When there is a fire, time is of the utmost importance. Each minute that firefighters have to spend shoveling around a hydrant is another minute that could be spent fighting the fire.



CHRISTMAS TREE SAFETY

With the holiday season now upon us, homes across the area are displaying Christmas trees. However, the most widely recognized symbol of the holidays is also one of the most common causes of residential fires. According to the National Fire Protection Agency, fires originating from Christmas trees account for an average of 14 deaths, 26 injuries, and over 13.8 million dollars in property damage per year. One out of every 21 Christmas



tree fires results in a civilian fire death. The most common causes of these fires was a malfunction of electrical equipment on the tree itself, or portable heating devices placed too close to the tree. There are a few simple things to remember when setting up your tree that will keep your holidays safe.

1. Use only lights approved by an Underwriter's Laboratory when decorating your tree.
2. Always unplug your tree when you leave the house or are going to bed.
3. NEVER use candles to decorate your tree.
4. Keep your tree at least three feet from heat sources such as fireplaces or radiators.

CARBON MONOXIDE SAFETY

Carbon monoxide, an odorless, colorless gas, is a byproduct of the combustion of fossil fuels.

When appliances such as furnaces, water heaters, dryers and stoves malfunction or are improperly vented, a buildup of carbon monoxide gas can occur. As this gas builds up in a home, occupants may experience headaches, nausea, dizziness, fatigue and confusion. At higher levels, carbon monoxide poisoning symptoms



include vomiting, loss of consciousness, and even death. As the winter months draw upon us, the Oak Creek Fire Department would like to remind residents that carbon monoxide detectors should be placed on each level of their home. In addition, they should have appliances inspected by a licensed professional.

Dial 911

It may seem like a simple task, but in the event of an emergency, dial 911 to reach fire, rescue and emergency medical services. Time is of the utmost importance in the event of an emergency and every second counts. For example, fires double in size every minute. Fires that start out small can easily grow to engulf entire buildings. Serious medical conditions like a heart attack, stroke, or traumatic injury require immediate attention by medical personnel. The Oak Creek Fire Department provides not only fire suppression, but also Paramedic-level emergency medical care. With three stations strategically located throughout the city, the Fire Department is only minutes away.

For more information, visit our website at www.oakcreekwi.org/fire, like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter (@Oak_Creek_FD).





MULCH

Mulch is often available for free pickup at the recycling yard. Residents may call 570-5682 to be put on a list for delivery of mulch for \$25 per load (approx. 4-5 yards) or to check availability.

FINAL BRANCH PICK-UP

The last branch pick up for 2013 will begin Tuesday, October 1st. Residents are reminded that branches should be placed at the curb or roadside prior to the 1st to be guaranteed a pick up but no earlier than 2 weeks prior. Once we pass through your neighborhood, we will not be back until April 1, 2014.

Reminder: Branches are to be stacked neatly with the cut ends facing the road. Roots should be separate from the brush pile. The Street Department **WILL NOT** pickup brush that is the result of a contractor doing work on your property. It is their responsibility to dispose of the brush properly.

Branches may also be brought to the recycling yard, any time of the year, at 720 W. Puetz Road. The next branch pick up will be April 1, 2014

RAKING OF LEAVES INTO THE STREET IS PROHIBITED



The City of Oak Creek has adopted Ordinance No. 1984, which prohibits property owners from placing leaves, grass, yard waste or rubbish in the street, alley or sidewalk areas. For your convenience, the ordinance reads as follows:

“No owner or occupant shall allow the street, alley or sidewalk pavements abutting his premises to be littered with rubbish, dirt, grass, leaves

or yard waste as defined in S. 8.40. If such owner or occupant shall refuse or fail to remove any such rubbish, dirt, grass, leaves or yard waste as defined in S.8.40 when notified to do so by the Common Council or designee, the City may cause it to be done and the cost thereof shall be reported to the City Clerk who shall spread the cost on the tax roll as a special tax against the premises, pursuant to Sec. 66.66(16), Wis. States. or such cost may be covered in action against the owner or occupant.”

The City of Oak Creek does **NOT** pick up leaves curbside. Residents may bring their leaves to the drop-off site located at 720 West Puetz Road, Tuesday, Friday & Saturday from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. or Tuesday evenings until 8 p.m. through the month of September.

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

The blowing and/or shoveling of snow onto City streets is a violation of the City of Oak Creek Municipal Code & is subject to a ticket which carries a \$114 fine. Section 6.24(c) reads as follows: “Prohibited Placement. No person, except the State, County or City shall deposit or cause to be deposited, upon any street, alley, sidewalk, parkway, or public land, any snow or ice taken or removed from his premises. No person, except the State, County, or City shall use private or public lands within the City as a place for the disposal or dumping of snow or ice from public or private property or from another municipality except with the permission of the owner.



The deposit of any snow or ice upon any street, alley, sidewalk, parkway, or public lands of the City, contrary to the provisions of this Chapter,

shall be and is hereby declared to be a nuisance. The City may remove any snow and ice so deposited and cause the costs of such removal to be charged to the owner or occupant of the property from which said snow or ice was removed and illegally deposited, pursuant to Section 66.60(16), Wis. Stats.”

Property owners are also required to keep the mailboxes and fire hydrants located on their property clear of snow and ice per Section 6.24(d) as follows: “Hydrants and Mailboxes. Every property owner or occupant shall keep all fire hydrants and mailboxes abutting his/her property free and clear of all snow and ice.”

GARBAGE & RECYCLING CART INFORMATION

Per Section 8.41 of the City of Oak Creek Municipal Code, household garbage not placed in a container provided by the City of Oak Creek, will not be collected.

If you find your blue garbage cart is always overflowing, you may purchase an additional cart from the Street Department. These carts will become your property. **Contact the Street Department at 570-5682 for pricing.**

Also contact the Street Department at 570-5682 for any repairs or replacements needed for your blue

garbage carts.

DATES OF GARBAGE COLLECTION FOR UPCOMING 2013 HOLIDAYS

HOLIDAY	DATE OF HOLIDAY	DATE OF COLLECTION
Labor Day	Monday, September 2, 2013	Friday, August 30, 2013
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 28, 2013	Wednesday, November 27, 2013
Christmas Eve	Tuesday, December 24, 2013	Monday, December 23, 2013
Christmas Day	Wednesday, December 25, 2013	Thursday, December 26, 2013
New Year's Eve	Tuesday, December 31, 2013	Monday, December 30, 2013
New Year's Day	Wednesday, January 1, 2014	Thursday, January 2, 2014

Watch for yellow "Bring Garbage to Road" signs in your area

FALL CLEAN-UP

BEGINS NOVEMBER 15, 2013

The Street Department will conduct its fall clean up beginning on Thursday, November 15, 2013. There is **NO CHARGE** for this pick-up (except for freon appliances). Items that **will be** picked up are as follows:

• Garden Clippings - **excluding leaves, grass and branches**

• Appliances (Freon appliances- freezers, refrigerators, dehumidifiers, water coolers & air conditioners, require a \$15 per item fee to be paid prior to pick-up).

• Construction Materials - **NOT resulting from a contractor**

- Metal
- Televisions
- Furniture
- Mattresses
- Carpeting/Rugs
- Wood

***Doors need to be removed from refrigerators and freezers.**

Items that **will not** be picked up are:

- Paints
- Batteries
- Hazardous Material
- Grass Clippings
- Concrete/Stone/Dirt
- Tires
- Leaves
- Branches
- Fluorescent Tubes

Residents are required to have their items at the curb or roadside by 6:45 a.m. on November 15th in order to be guaranteed a pick up. Once we pass through your neighborhood, we will not return for additional **no charge** pick-ups until the spring clean-up on May 15, 2014. See Special Pick-Up section for information on how to make arrangements for a prepaid special pick-up for other times of the year or if you should miss the Fall clean-up date.

SPECIAL PICK UPS

In addition to the fall & spring clean-ups that are provided at **NO CHARGE**, the City of Oak Creek provides special pick-

ups for residents for a fee of \$25 for the following:

- Appliances (\$15 additional fee will be charged for freon appliance-freezers, refrigerators, dehumidifiers, air conditioners & water coolers)*
- Furniture
- Carpeting/Padding
- Metals of any kind
- Mattresses
- Televisions

Special pick-ups are done on Friday mornings **ONLY**. Items for pick up must be at the road by 6:45 a.m. on the scheduled Friday. Residents requesting special pick-ups must prepay the fees due by noon, the Thursday prior, in order to be put on that Friday's pick up schedule.

Please note that special pick ups **will not** be done for the following items:

- Branches
- Garden Clippings
- Recyclables
- Contractor generated materials
- Hazardous Waste
- Yard Waste
- Tires
- Concrete

RECYCLING YARD INFORMATION

The recycling yard hours are Tuesday, Fridays & Saturdays, 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. In addition to the regular hours, the yard is open Tuesday evenings **ONLY** until 8 p.m. starting the first Tuesday in April through the last Tuesday in September.

Any residence that receives an individual property tax bill and has City pickup of garbage may use the recycling yard. Occupants of condos or trailer parks that have private garbage pickup may use the recycling yard for disposal of yard waste **ONLY** with the exception of grass clippings, which are not accepted.

The recycling yard will be **closed** on the following holiday dates:

Thanksgiving Friday, Nov. 29, 2013
 Christmas Eve Tues., Dec. 24, 2013
 New Years Eve Tues., Dec. 31, 2013

NO items may exceed 4' in length with the exception of branches, furniture, appliances & metals.

NO contractor vehicles will be allowed in to the yard.

All freon appliances (refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, air conditioners & water coolers) brought to the recycling yard will be charged a \$15.00 fee. **Doors need to be removed from refrigerators & freezers.**

Tires brought to the recycling yard should be free of rims. A fee of \$3 per tire will be charged.

****USAgain now has a bin located at the yard for depositing textile items such as clothing, shoes, bedding, towels, curtains, handbags, backpacks, etc. It is located at the end of the garbage compactor. See yard attendant if you have any questions.**

**For any repairs or replacements for your blue garbage carts, contact:
 Street Department
 414-570-5682**

**For recycling collection issues & cart repairs, please contact:
 Advance Disposal
 262-679-0860**

**For garbage collection issues, please contact:
 John's Disposal
 262-473-4700**

STREET TREE CARE

A reminder to residents of the proper care of street trees

City Forestry administers the first round of tree care at planting. Initial care includes planting, watering, applying mulch and, if necessary, staking.

City Forestry will follow up to routinely prune street trees throughout their lifetime and remove and stump grind when they are beyond hope or dead.

Watering

One serious drying out can kill a tree, especially while it is adjusting to a new planting site. After planting, your street tree should be watered routinely for the first few years and on an as needed basis after that.

Depending on conditions, zero to 15 gallons of water, once a week, is a general rule of thumb for two-inch diameter trees. Some sites naturally take more water than others. Should summer drought occur, please monitor more carefully. It is better to put a small amount of water on than none at all. However, a light watering or rain may not penetrate the mulch layer. A few winter waterings are appropriate if the winter lacks snow cover – roots may freeze.

Growth rate can be greatly affected by the amount of water applied to a tree. The largest street trees on a block are often situated in a place that naturally collects

water from the landscape.

Woodchip Mulch and Soil

Mulch creates the best possible environment for tree roots to grow under in the harsh curbside landscape. Please retain the application of mulch around a new tree, or add your own, at least until established (preferably for the life of the tree). Mulch should be gently angled up and away from the tree with no more than one inch in contact with the tree trunk. Please don't apply mulch in a volcano shape around the base of the tree. This will cause roots to grow up into the mulch and moisture to collect around young, thin bark. Rock "mulch" may look neat but it promotes drying and heat retention (roots like it cool). If you do opt to use it, please counter with more frequent watering.

Pruning

City Forestry assumes responsibility for all tree pruning and removal. We will prune to develop a desirable form, over time. For most large trees that means a straight central leader with the first branches above 15 feet on all sides of the tree. If you believe your tree needs pruning, please contact City Forestry. Other than removing basal sprouts (suckers) or a snip here and there on the lower branches to keep clearance, please do not prune street trees.

Staking

If your street tree is staked, the City will remove most stakes within 2 years. Please help by leaving installations intact. Call if

stakes need adjustment or another problem develops.

Landscape materials

Weed barrier fabric and plastic disks are not welcome because they can form a nutrient, oxygen or even water barrier, between the material and the soil/roots.

Herbicides

Please take special care to avoid killing or stunting trees with weed killing chemicals. Any turf herbicide that kills broadleaf plants is harmful to trees. Herbicides may drift on a breeze or move in our clay soil under saturated conditions.

Nicks and Scrapes

Take care to avoid damage to trees from mowers and weed eaters. Nicks, scrapes and other kinds of wounds invite insects/diseases and cause general stress. Loose-fitting, plastic tree protectors will be installed over the base of each tree. This will help protect young, thin bark from mulch moisture and mowing equipment.

We will no longer replace trees determined to be killed by carelessness or neglectful acts.

A good source of online tree care information is Treesaregood.org.

Thank you for your care and contributions to the urban forest. Best wishes for a wonderful growing season!

FAIR HOUSING IS YOUR RIGHT

Seeking housing is never an easy task. For many Milwaukee County residents, illegal discrimination makes finding & 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
- * Family status (household composition, including presence of children)
- * Sexual orientation
- * Lawful source of income
- * Sex
- * Color
- * Age
- * Religion
- * Marital status

Housing discrimination appears in many different forms. Sometimes housing providers discriminate overtly by mak-

ing 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 & 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.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION . . .

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, & 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 the eligibility requirements.
- * 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 & 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.

Read the weekly Mayor’s message on Facebook

“City of Oak Creek”



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2014 ELECTIONS

The Spring Primary Election will be held Tuesday, February 18, 2014, if required, and the Spring General Election will be held Tuesday, April 1, 2014. Local offices up for election are:

Position

Aldersperson, 2nd District
Aldersperson, 4th District
Aldersperson, 6th District
Any referenda items, if required.

Incumbent

Daniel Bukiewicz
Michael Toman
Thomas Michalski

All offices are for two-year terms.

Nomination papers will be available in the City Clerk’s Office on Monday, December 2, 2013 and must be returned no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 7, 2014.

For updated 2014 election information, refer to the City’s website at www.oakcreekwi.org.

Please contact the City Clerk’s Office at 768-6500 for any questions about voter registration or running for office.



**REMINDER:
WINTER
PARKING**

Winter parking begins again

December 1st and runs 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 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.
- Saturday and Sunday from 2:30 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.

Permission may be granted by the Police Department (on a day-to-day basis) for exceptions on the restriction during emergencies, if a vehicle becomes disabled, or if there is an overnight guest. Please contact the Police Department at (414) 762-8200 to obtain permission.

SCHOOL BUS LIGHTS

With the start of the new school year, motorists are reminded to use caution when approaching school buses. Motorists should stop their vehicle not less than 20 feet in front of or behind a bus when it is displaying flashing red warning lights and remain stopped until the bus resumes motion or extinguishes the flashing lights. This does



not apply to vehicles traveling in the opposite direction on a divided highway with a median. School bus operators may submit a written report to the Police Department of those vehicles illegally passing a school bus with its red warning lights flashing. Upon receipt of this information, the Police Department will prepare a traffic citation and serve it upon the owner of the vehicle in violation. The fine for such violation is \$240. Help keep

our children safe this school year—stop when you approach a bus flashing its red warning lights!

FIREARMS SAFETY

As hunting season approaches, it is important to remind our residents of the importance of firearms safety. The majority of accidents that involve a firearm occur in the house. The accidents are a result of negligent handling, improper storage and carelessness. The accidents usually end tragically with serious injuries or even death.



Firearms accidents are preventable by following these few simple rules:

- **KNOW** how your firearm operates & **PRACTICE** safe handling procedures. **TREAT** every firearm as if it were loaded. **ALWAYS** point a firearm in a safe direction. Use your firearm only for its intended purpose. **NEVER** rely on the firearm's safety latch. **NEVER** leave a firearm unattended. **LOCK, TRANSPORT** and **STORE** your firearm(s) properly. **NEVER** use your firearm after consuming alcohol or drugs.
- Make sure that each family member takes a firearms safety course offered by the Wis. DNR.

For more information regarding firearms safety programs, visit the DNR's website at www.dnr.wi.gov.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT – THANK YOU

The Oak Creek Police Department and National Night Out Committee would like to thank all of the citizens who attended this year's Oak Creek's National Night Out at the Oak Creek Community Center. This event supports the many crime and safety pro-

grams offered annually to our community. An extra special "Thank You" needs to be extended to all the local, state, and federal law enforcement and safety agencies present at this event as well as all area business sponsors, numerous donors, the National Night Out Planning Committee and those that volunteered their time to make this community event possible.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The Neighborhood Watch Program is available to you and your neighbors, and we need you to get involved! What's in it for you? The answer is safer streets and homes, community spirit, camaraderie with your neighbors, stronger relationships with law enforcement, and so much more. Neighborhood Watch embraces and strengthens many of the things we're already doing, such as watching out for each other's homes or working together to solve problems. Neighborhood Watch brings the power of organization and the ability to focus energy and resources. Often Neighborhood Watch groups get started due to incidents in the community that cause concern. An active Watch reduces these types of crime.



Help keep our community a safe place! Start a Neighborhood Watch Group today! It's easy to participate!

Contact the Oak Creek Police Department, Community Resource Bureau at 766-7624 for more information. Together we can "Take A Bite Out of Crime."

Adult Game Club

Drop-in at the library on the second Tuesday of each month, between 1:00 p.m. & 3:00 p.m. to play card games and board games.

Questions? Call 414-764-4400



Teens

Make Your Voice Heard!

The library is seeking teen input! We would love to hear about the books teens are reading, the movies teens are watching, and the music teens are listening to.



Visit the teen page at www.oakcreeklibrary.org for information on the Teen Advisory Board and upcoming programs and events just for teens!

You can also connect to us 24/7 at [facebook.com/OakCreekLibraryTeens](https://www.facebook.com/OakCreekLibraryTeens) and twitter.com/OCPLTeens

Beginner Computer Classes!



Basic Computer & Practice

Thurs, Oct 10
from 9:15 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

CountyCat

Thurs, Oct 17
from 10:00 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

Internet

Thurs, Oct 24
from 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Gmail Email & Series Practice

Thurs, Oct 31
from 9:15 a.m. -11:15 a.m.

Registration begins-
Monday, Sept 23 at 10:00 a.m. in the library.

Phone registrations will be accepted after 1:00 p.m.



Preschool Story Time-Ages 3-5

September 18 – October 23
Weds. 10:30-11:15; 6:00-6:45

In-person registration begins
Wed. , September 11 at 10 a.m.

**Toddler Time
Ages 18-35 months**

November 6 – December 4
Wednesdays
10:15-10:45; 11:15-11:45

In-person-registration begins
Wed. , October 30 at 10 a.m.

Oak Creek residents have first priority. For more information about upcoming library programs, call (414) 764-4400 or visit our events calendar at

www.oakcreeklibrary.org



All ages welcome!
(programs are focused for children 5-10)

Tuesdays @ 6:30 p.m.

2013-2014 school year
September 10, 2013
October 1 & 29, 2013
December 3, 2013
February 4, 2014
March 4, 2014
April 1, 2014
May 6, 2014
June 3, 2014

Registration not required.

FACILITIES LIST: Parks, Playgrounds & Schools



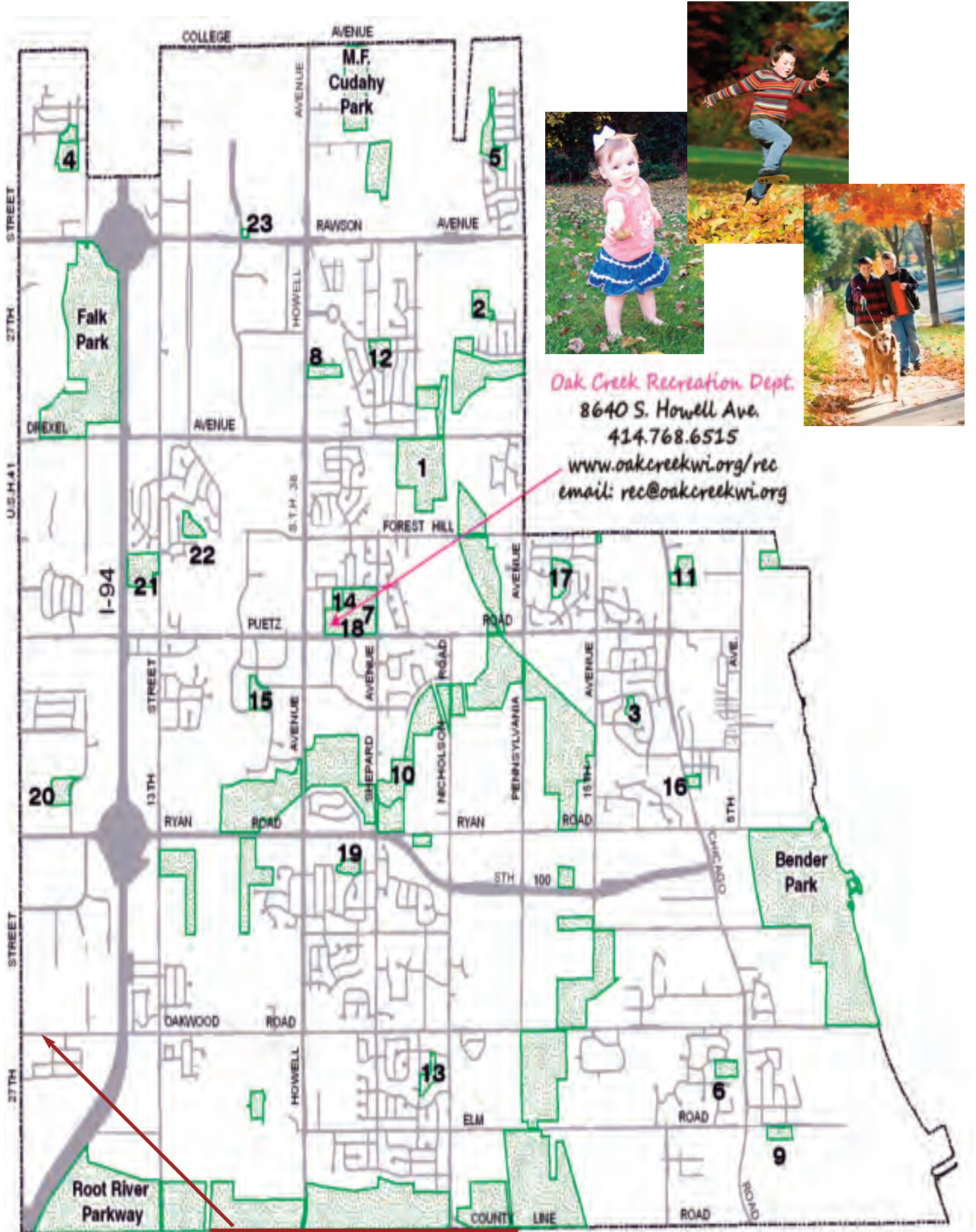
See Pg. 4 for information on how to rent these facilities



Site	Address	Shelter (o=open air, b=building) # picnic tables under Open Air Shelter	Indoor Pool	Tennis Courts	Basketball (c-corts, s-standard)	Volleyball (s-sand)	Ballfield (s-softball, b-baseball)	Picnic Areas	Misc: Pond (P), Disc Golf (G)	Playground Equipment	Baby (bucket) swings	Vehicle Parking	Sledding Hill	Ice Rink	Nature Area	Open Play Area	Recreational Pathway (est. size-miles) Non-motorized	Pickleball Court	Skate Park	Fields: s-soccer, f-football
1	Abendschein Park	1311 E. Drexel Ave.	O	3			18		G	•	•	•			•	•	•			S/F
2	Camelot Park	7385 S. Chapel Dr.	O	2	1C	15				•	•	•				•	0.40			
3	Carrollton School Park	8965 S. Carrollton Dr.			2	2C	15			•	•	•				•	0.53			
4	Cedar Hills School Johnstone Park	2225 W. Sycamore Ave.			2C					•	•	•				•				
			O	2		5	25			•	•	•			•	•	0.44			
5	Chapel Hills Park	6735 S. Highfield	O	2	2	1C	5	15		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	0.62			
6	Deerfield School	3871 Bluestem Dr.				45				•	•	•				•	0.19			
7	Edgewood School	8545 S. Shepard Ave.				1C, 15				•	•	•			•					
8	Greenlawn Park	7628 S. Howell Ave.									•	•			•	•				
9	Haas Park	4215 E. Elm Rd.	O	2	1C	5	15			•	•	•		•	•	•				
10	East Middle School	9330 S. Shepard Ave.				45					•	•					0.85			
11	Kickers Creek Park	8460 S. Chicago Rd.									•	•								S/F
12	Manor Marquette Park	801 E. Marquette Ave.	O	2	2	1C	•	15		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	0.41			
13	Meadowview School Park	10420 S. McGraw Dr.			2	1C, 25	5	15		•	•	•				•	0.45			
14	Henry Miller Park	315 E. Groveland Dr.	B						P					•	•	•				
15	Oak Leaf Park	401 W. Centennial Dr.	O	2	2	1C	5	15		•	•	•				•	0.50			
16	Otjen Park	9300 S. Chicago Rd.	O	2		1C, 15				•	•	•				•				
17	Riverton Meadows Park	2801 Honeysuckle Dr.	O	2	1	1C	5	15		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	0.58			
18	High School	340 E. Puetz Rd.					9	35			•	•				•				
19	Shepard Hills School Park	530 E. Shepard Hills Dr.				45	25			•	•	•				•				
20	South Hills Park	9299 S. 22nd St.	O	2	2	1C	5	15		•	•	•	•			•	0.30			
21	West Middle School	8401 S. 13th St.				35					•	•				•				S
22	Willow Heights Park	1111 W. Weatherly Dr.	O	2	2	1C	•	15		•	•	•				•	0.41	2		
23	Veterans Memorial Park	552 W. Rawson Ave.																		

Updated: February 2012

FACILITIES MAP: Parks, Playgrounds & Schools



Oak Creek Recreation Dept.
8640 S. Howell Ave.
414.768.6515
www.oakcreekwi.org/rec
email: rec@oakcreekwi.org

St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

Barbara Guckenberger, City Treasurer



Website:

www.oakcreekwi.org
go to: Departments,
Treasurer's Office

Tax Information

choose link: Tax Payment History (2007 and Newer). Choose the **current tax year** then 'Taxes' tab on left. Payments made to the City appear on the City Website as they are processed. To view prior year payment history and current balances or to make payment of prior year delinquent tax, click on the link **Milwaukee County Tax Info**.

NAME & ADDRESS CHANGES:

- **PERMANENT** - If you do not see a change updated on the website, please contact the Assessor's Office at (414) 768-6506.
- **TEMPORARY** - To have your tax bill mailed to a temporary address please contact the Treasurer's Office each year by November 30th.

2012 DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX

Payment of 2012 delinquent real estate tax, and all PRIOR YEAR(S), must be made to MILWAUKEE COUNTY. Call the County at (414) 278-4033 for information.

Please note: PAYMENTS made to **MILWAUKEE COUNTY** are not posted to the City's website.

2013 PROPERTY TAX BILLS

will be mailed on or before the third Monday in December.

PAYMENT DEADLINES

PAID IN FULL – DUE JANUARY 31st

INSTALLMENT OPTION - WE DO NOT SEND REMINDER-NOTICES. Failure to pay the amounts shown on the tax bill by

each of their due dates will result in delinquency, interest & penalty charges as of February 1st and forfeiture of the installment option.

- **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.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- **TRI CITY BANK** - through **JANUARY 31ST ONLY** in person at the five Oak Creek locations.
- **BY MAIL** – Your tax bill will be returned with a receipt.
- **Through JANUARY 31ST ONLY:** Please use the **return envelope** (to West Allis P.O. Box) **enclosed** with your tax bill.
- **On or after FEBRUARY 1st** to: Treasurer, City of Oak Creek, PO Box 27, Oak Creek, WI 53154-0027.
- **DRIVE-UP 24-HOUR DEPOSITORY**, located at City Hall on the east side of the south parking lot. **No Cash.**
- **BY CREDIT CARD**-the credit card provider charges a convenience fee based on the amount of the transaction, currently 2.75% (\$1 minimum) subject to change without notice.
- **AT CITY HALL**-December & January: 8 am - 3 pm; **No Cash** (see Tri City Bank).

LOTTERY AND GAMING CREDIT

Applications are available on our website.

If you received the 2012 Lottery and Gaming Credit on or before

January 31, 2013, you do not need to recertify for 2013.

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.

2012: The 2012 Lottery and Gaming Credit is \$86.83. If you qualify and did not receive the credit, mail a completed **Late** Lottery and Gaming Credit application, with a copy of your tax bill, to the State of Wisconsin Department of Revenue at the address shown on the application, **by October 1, 2013**. You must also complete and return the 2013 Lottery and Gaming Credit application (see below).

2013: Complete and return the 2013 Lottery and Gaming Credit application to the Oak Creek Treasurer's Office by November 30, 2013 for the credit to appear on your 2013 and future Real Estate Tax Bills.

OTHER INFORMATION

There is a \$.25 charge for additional copies of tax bills, payable in advance. You may print them free of charge off the internet.

We hope you have a wonderful Fall Season.



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The City is now working toward completion of public improvements (mainly final street surfaces) in various subdivisions which have faced bankruptcies and financial difficulties as a result of economic downturns experienced beginning in 2008.

In addition, the City working with WisPark, has approved plans and financing for the development of the Oakview Business Park at the southwest corner of Howell Avenue and Oakwood Avenue. This 220-acre business park is expected to result at completion in the construction of approximately 1.5 million square feet of new business activity and create 1400 jobs. We are currently working with WisPark on a potential 150,000 square foot building for the site. The City Council has approved a \$10.5 million TIF finance agreement which will assist in construction of the

utilities and site improvements necessary to create the business park. This project is coming online at an opportune time and appears to be well positioned in the market to compete successfully for regional building projects. Site construction activity should be underway this fall and be completed in 2014.

As evidenced by the pictures below, progress continues at the lakefront property. Efforts are ongoing to prepare the site for public access and future development activity. Building demolition has been mostly completed. Engineering for roadway construction continues to progress. The City recently received a variety of grants to: assist in bluff evaluation and stabilization, construction of multi-use paths, analyze storm water needs for the site, and to construct stormwater structures on the former Peter Cooper property now owned by the City of Oak Creek. Other owners (DuPont and EPEC)

are expected to transfer property to the City once environmental conditions on the site are attended to in conformance with DNR and City requirements. This includes the removal of contamination which exceeds levels deemed acceptable and placing a soil cap over the properties where contamination exists, providing an effective barrier to prevent human contact with the known contamination. Seeding of the site to stabilize the soil and prevent erosion will also be occurring this year. Plans for recreational use and City park facilities have begun and will continue throughout 2014.

The Common Council previously approved in concept, pending their further review and approvals, \$10 million in bonds to assist with the lakefront development. These bonds are completely supported by existing revenue sources allocated for this purpose from utility plant operations.

PHOTO: LAKEFRONT DEVELOPMENT



PHOTO: LAKEFRONT DEVELOPMENT



HEALTH DEPARTMENT

SEPTEMBER IS FALL PREVENTION MONTH

Reduce the falls and fall-related complications among older adults by celebrating September as Fall Prevention Month. Look for our fall prevention Stepping On Workshop on our website. Call for more information or to sign-up.

OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



The Wisconsin Well Woman Program (WWWP) provides preventive health screening services (mammograms, Pap tests, and multiple sclerosis testing) to low-income women who are uninsured or underinsured. Enrollment is limited to women ages 45 to 64 with exceptions for women ages 35-44 who meet specific qualifications. Call for more details.



CELEBRATING GRANT AWARDS

The Oak Creek Health Department was one of 28 recipients of the Wisconsin Public Health Mini-Grant Awards. This \$5000 award will support performance management and quality improvement efforts as the department moves forward to national accreditation through the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB).

Another grant received will strengthen our "Twelve Months of Preparedness" campaign. Recent power outages and Hurricane Sandy brought to the forefront that everyone needs to have a plan, be informed and be ready. The department purchased individual, family and pet go-kits for demonstration purposes for events like National Night Out and other outreach activities.

COMMENDING STAFF AND PARTNER EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE 99% SCORE

The Oak Creek Health Department completed an on-site evaluation by two members of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Local Technical Assistance Review team. Of the 4 Wisconsin agencies reviewed by CDC, Oak Creek scored the highest with a score of 99%. This comprehensive review involved the Health Department staff, representatives from the Police, Fire, Streets Departments and other external partners. These on-going planning efforts are required for the CDC Preparedness grant. We appreciate the strong collaboration and commitment for emergency planning and response activities by all partners.



We're Sorry:

**The Oak Creek High School Pool
is under construction.**



**Information will be distributed
when swimming dates/times
are available**

City Engineer, Mike Simmons

WANT TO SAVE MONEY ON YARD CARE?

One way to save money is to reduce the amount of fertilizer used. Mulching your grass clippings in place can provide many nutrients and replenish the soil on which your lawn grows. Replenishing nutrients in the soil in this way can greatly reduce the amount of additional fertilizer you need to apply to keep your lawn looking good.

In addition to cost savings, reducing fertilizer application can also help reduce the amount of green algae in the lakes and streams nearby. If you haven't already, this summer may be a good time to re-evaluate your lawn care routine, and see if you can reduce chemical fertilizer applications. Affordable home soil test kits are available at most local garden centers for less than the cost of a bag of fertilizer. These test kits can give you information on the amount of nitrogen already in your lawn soil, and usually include recommendations on how much fertilizer is necessary based on your test results. Additional information and other test kits are available via the UW Extension Soils Lab.



http://uwlab.soils.wisc.edu/lawn-garden/

One additional way to help your plants and trees and use less fertilizer is to apply mulch. In addition to keeping the roots cool and retaining moisture, the mulch will slowly break down, adding organic matter to the soil, which keeps the soil rich and reduces the need for added fertilizer.

Composting

It's easy and inexpensive to compost yard waste. Most people think of using bins and other enclosures to do it, and

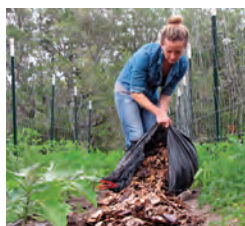
this can speed up the decomposition process, but organic material eventually breaks down into compost wherever it is placed, even when it's piled behind the shed, under the shrubs, or chopped up into tiny pieces to further decompose right on the lawn - a technique some golf courses employ as part of their leaf management strategy. Here are tips you can use to reduce or eliminate the leaves you rake. These tips come from Dane County Love Your Lakes Don't Leaf Them Program.



• **Keep fallen leaves out of the street gutter.** Many leaves naturally fall into the street. Use a blower or sweep them up. (*The City of Oak Creek has an ordinance which prohibits the raking of leaves into the street. See page 7 for details.*)

• **Compost your leaves.** Place composted leaves in your vegetable and flower beds. Composted leaves amend soil that's healthy for plants and it's free! Compost bins start at about \$35 and come in various sizes and shapes or you can also make a simple leaf bin from chicken wire or other metal fencing. The leaves will take longer to break down if they are not shredded or mixed with other wastes, but they will eventually decay, leaving a nice crumbly humus which can be put on gardens and lawns to enrich the soil.

• **Use leaves as mulch.** Rake leaves to vegetable and flower gardens, under shrubs or around trees to help suppress weeds and help prevent weed seeds that sprout in the spring. Decayed leaves enhance the soil for any planting bed and save money on purchased mulch.



• **Mow leaves.** Leave the leaves shredded by your lawn mower right on your lawn. The small pieces quickly break down, releasing nutrients for a green, well-fed lawn. Or if using a bagger, use the chopped up leaves as mulch.



Credit: Root-PikeWIN Greening Up Your Yard newsletter.

Mulch is available
at the City of Oak Creek Recycling Yard for **FREE** pickup.
Please call the Oak Creek Street Department at
570-5682
to be put on a list for **delivery** of mulch for \$25 per load (approximately 5 yards) or call the Street Department to check for availability.

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POINTS OF INTEREST

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Recreation Department is **closed** on the following holidays:

Labor Day: Monday, September 2

Thanksgiving: Thurs. & Fri. November 28 & 29

Christmas/New Years: Dec. 24 & 25, Dec. 31 & Jan. 1

DEPARTMENT FUNDING

Oak Creek Common Council provides revenue for Department operations during the year.

EMPLOYMENT - Recreation Department



The City of Oak Creek is now utilizing an **online employment application system.**

To apply for employment, visit www.oakcreekwi.org

Click on "Your Government", select 'City Employment' and the link relevant to the type of position you are seeking.

AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Upon reasonable notice, a good faith effort will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through sign language interpreters or other auxiliary aid at no cost to the individual to participate in recreation programming. Due to the difficulty in finding aides/interpreters, requests should be made as far in advance as possible, preferably at the time of registration. For additional information or to request this service, contact:

Oak Creek Recreation Department
(414) 768-6515

or by writing to:

ADA Coordinator, Oak Creek Health Department
8640 S. Howell Avenue
Oak Creek, WI 53154

Web Trac !



Register any time (day or night) for Recreation classes in the comfort of your home or office!

<http://city.oakcreekwi.org/webtrac/>

MasterCard, Visa,
Discover & American Express

CONTACT US

OAK CREEK RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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

Office Phone: (414) 768-6515

Office Fax: (414) 768-6518

Visit us at: www.oakcreekwi.org/rec

Email us at: rec@oakcreekwi.org



For cancellation information, please call:
(414) 299-9721

Press 1 for General Information-all other activities

Press 2 for Team Sports Information

FACEBOOK - Like us!



"Like Us" on Facebook, search for:

Oak Creek Parks, Recreation & Forestry **and**
Oak Creek Recreation 50+ Activities

SMILE! YOUR PHOTOS WANTED TOO!

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

Have you taken photos of recreation activities, fun in our parks, beautiful scenery in Oak Creek? We are always looking for good quality digital photos for use in the "Acorn" and our brochures.

For further information contact Deb at:
dlukasik@oakcreekwi.org
768-6515



Thank You!



Thanks to all who participated in our National Parks & Recreation Month events!

Congratulations to those who found and returned ducks from the duck hunt, and those who have stopped in with their completed Rec-Opoly games. We can't wait to get started on next summer's celebration!

Enjoy the photos from our month-long celebration in this issue of the *Acorn*

FINE PRINT: THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

IS SHE/HE OLD ENOUGH?

Age requirements are as of the date of the first class, unless otherwise specified and are designed to provide the best and safest environment for the children. Please do not request to have your child put in a class he/she does not belong in.

HOW MUCH IS IT?

Fees and charges are assessed based on the cost of the program. The Department does not want to exclude children of families experiencing financial hardship. Resident families needing financial assistance should contact the office at 768-6515.

NEED TO TRANSFER?

Transfers will be made at no charge.

NEED A REFUND?

Refunds will be made on request until 1/3 of the scheduled classes have been held, except as noted. Refunds are issued based on your original payment method. A **\$3 service fee** will be charged on each refund. Avoid the service fee by requesting credit to your recreation account in place of a refund.

CAN I WATCH? OPEN HOUSE

You are welcome to discuss your child's progress after each class and attend the open house held during the final class session. Relatives, friends and/or other children are not permitted in classrooms or the pool during instruction. This avoids distractions and interruptions in instruction, and allows adults to participate in an adult-only atmosphere.

MAKEUPS?

Classes missed due to absence are not "made up" nor may participants attend classes other than the one they are registered for.

Activities cancelled by the Department will be rescheduled, if possible. If a class is unable to be rescheduled, no refunds will be issued.

HAVE A CONCERN?

If a class does not meet your expectations, please contact the Oak Creek Recreation Department at **768-6515** to discuss your concerns.

AM I A RESIDENT?

The resident fee applies to any person whose primary residence is within the Oak Creek city limits at the time of registration and children in the Oak Creek-Franklin School District. For proof of residency information, please [see page 42](#).

PROOF OF DATE OF BIRTH

Proof of date of birth for all children is required at their first registration

WHERE DO I PARK? ENTER? MAPS PG. 14-15

DEERFIELD: Front entrance to school.

EDGEWOOD: Gym doors at rear of building.

HIGH SCHOOL: Main doors or East Entrance #21

SHEPARD HILLS: North doors next to the playground.

WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL: Southwest doors at the back of school next to dumpster.

EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL: Entrance #7

ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL: 2525 W. Oakwood Road. Please enter using the driveway located behind the church, between the church and cemetery.

WHAT IF?

My child wants to be on the same team or in a class with a friend or sibling.

- ◆ Siblings who meet the requirements for the same class section or sports league will be placed together unless otherwise *requested in writing by the parent or guardian*.
- ◆ For all other requests please complete the carpool form on Pg. 44 & 46 or complete during online registration click by clicking on "add a note or info for staff" before proceeding to the shopping cart.

I want to register with my adult friend:

- ◆ If one person is placed on the wait list, the entire group will be placed on the wait list
- ◆ If one person is a non-resident, the entire group will be processed during non-resident registration (if space is available)

JOIN OUR REC E-MAIL LISTS!

Do you want to get up-to-the-minute class and activity announcements? Registration reminders? Do you want to be the first to know when the "Acorn" is online?

Join our mailing list by using the below QR code with your smart phone or go to our website at the link below and fill out the email list form. We do not share or sell your email information.

<http://www.oakcreekwi.org/rec/signup.htm>



Elementary Soccer & Flag Football (Boys & Girls)

Soccer & Flag Football REGISTRATION began August 5 for Oak Creek residents & Oak Creek-Franklin School District Students only

Monday, August 12: Non-Resident Registration Opens

Register online at <http://city.oakcreekwi.org/webtrac/>



Elementary Soccer Boys & Girls: Grades 1 - 8

**Thursday, Tuesday, Thursday
September 5, 10, 12**

Practice, instruction & team selection

Minor League (Gr. 1, 2 & 3) 4-5 PM (Tues/Thurs)
Major League (Gr. 4, 5 & 6) 5-6 PM (Tues/Thurs)
Middle School League (Gr. 6, 7, 8) 5-6 PM (Tues/Thurs)

Thursdays, September 19, 26 & Oct. 3, 10, 17

Team Practices

Minor League (Gr. 1, 2 & 3) 4-5 PM
Major League (Gr. 4, 5 & 6) 5-6 PM
Middle School League (Gr. 6,7,8) 5-6 PM

Saturday Games (times to be announced)

September 14, 21, 28 & October 5, 12, 19

Games may be scheduled on Thursdays during normal practice times as needed to complete the season.

League	Grades	Activity/Section#
Minor	1, 2, 3	354101 A1
Major	4, 5, 6	354201 A1
Middle School	6, 7, 8	354301 A1

Location: Kicker's Creek Park, 8460 S. Chicago Rd., Oak Creek

Fee includes t-shirt: \$39 Resident / \$56.50 Non-resident

**SHIN GUARDS ARE REQUIRED FOR SOCCER GAME PLAY
TURF SHOES ARE OK- NO METAL CLEATS**



Elementary Flag Football Boys & Girls: Grades 1 - 6

**Wednesday, Friday & Saturday
September 4, 6 & 7**

Practice, instruction & team selection-

Minor League (Gr. 1, 2, & 3) 4-5 PM (Wed/Fri)
Major League (Gr. 4, 5, & 6) 5-6 PM (Wed/Fri)
Minor League (Gr. 1, 2, & 3) 1-2 PM (Saturday)
Major League (Gr. 4, 5 & 6) 2-3 PM (Saturday)

Wednesdays

September 11, 18, 25 & October 2, 9, 16

Team practices-

Minor League (Gr. 1, 2, & 3) 4-5 PM
Major League (Gr. 4, 5 & 6) 5-6 PM

Saturday Games (times to be announced)

September 14, 21, 28 & October 5, 12, 19

Games may be scheduled on Wednesdays during normal practice times as needed to complete the season.

League	Grades	Activity/Section#
Minor	1, 2 & 3	353101 A1
Major	4, 5 & 6	353201 A1

Location: Kicker's Creek Park, 8460 S. Chicago Rd., Oak Creek

Fee includes t-shirt: \$39 Resident / \$56.50 Non-resident

**NO SPIKES - TURF SHOES ARE OK
NO METAL CLEATS**

When registering for soccer and/or football, please specify t-shirt size, including "youth or adult" on the order form. **Please order large enough to fit a sweatshirt underneath.**

Youth Sizes: YS (6 - 8) YM (10 - 12) YL (14 - 16)
Adult Sizes: AS (34 - 36) AM (38 - 40) AL (42 - 44) AXL (46)



Dance Combo - Ages 4 & 5 (6 classes)

Dance fundamentals geared toward the young student. Combo classes will include basic dance steps and rhythms used in dance.

Dance shoes not required for combo class. No sandals, flip flops, stocking or bare feet please

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
349001-A1	9/18	Wed	6:00-6:30 pm	\$22/\$33
349001-A2	10/30	Wed	6:00-6:30 pm	\$22/\$33

Students age 5 and up who have previously taken combo class or other prior classes may focus on the dance style they prefer in these classes. Age 4 MUST take a combo class.

Tap - Age 5+ (6 classes)

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
349002-A1	10/30	Wed	7:00-7:30 pm	\$22/\$33

Ballet: Beginner - Age 5+ (6 classes)

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
349003-A1	9/18	Wed	6:30-7:00 pm	\$22/\$33
349003-A2	10/30	Wed	6:30-7:00 pm	\$22/\$33

Ballet: Advanced Beginner - Age 5+ (6 classes)

For students who have completed at least one session of ballet.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
349003-B1	9/18	Wed	7:30-8:00 pm	\$22/\$33
349003-B2	10/30	Wed	7:30-8:00 pm	\$22/\$33

Hip Hop - Age 5+ (6 classes)

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
349004-A1	9/18	Wed	7:00-7:30 pm	\$22/\$33

All Classes:

Classes will not meet on: 11/27

Instructor: Hannah E. Menz

Location: St. John's School, 2525W Oakwood Rd., Oak Creek

Wear: T-shirt & shorts, sweats or plain leotard & tights. Dance shoes are recommended, except for combo classes.

Tumbling (5 classes)

Beginning tumbling and balance skills for children.

Need an active outlet for the child who is always twisting, turning and upside down? Tumbling is a fun way to use that energy while building upper body strength, coordination and balance.

Reminder: Students are not accompanied by parents during class sessions.

Children must be toilet trained

Tails Over Whiskers - Ages 3 - 6.5

Activ/Sect#	Ages	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
345001-A1	3-4	9/21	Sat	9:00-9:30 am	\$22/\$33
345001-A2	4-6.5	9/21	Sat	9:30-10:15 am	\$22/\$33
345001-A3	3-4	10/26	Sat	9:00-9:30 am	\$22/\$33
345001-A4	4-6.5	10/26	Sat	9:30-10:15 am	\$22/\$33

Beginners - Ages 5 & Up

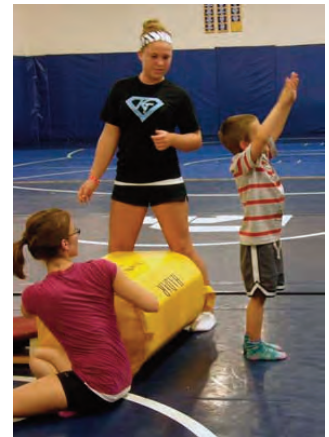
Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
345002-A1	9/21	Sat	10:15-11:00 am	\$22/\$33
345002-A2	10/26	Sat	10:15-11:00 am	\$22/\$33

Wear: 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 and shoes may not be worn on mats.

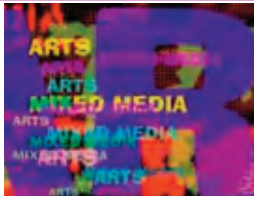
Class will not meet on: 11/30

Instructor: Katie Edwards

Location: OCHS Wrestling Room



NATIONAL PARK & REC MONTH ~ JULY 2013
CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES AT ABENDSCHEIN PARK



ALL ABOUT ART

6 CLASSES

Instructor: Rebecca Riddle

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

All class materials are provided

MIXED MEDIA CREATIONS - Ages 5-8

Children will gain hands-on experience using a variety of media to create paintings, drawings and 3-dimensional projects with chalk, charcoal, paints and sculpting materials.

Activ/Sect#	Dates	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
331001 A1	9/17	Tue	6:00-6:45 pm	\$30/\$45
331001 B1	10/29	Tue	6:00-6:45 pm	\$30/\$45

CARTOON CREATIONS - Ages 8-11

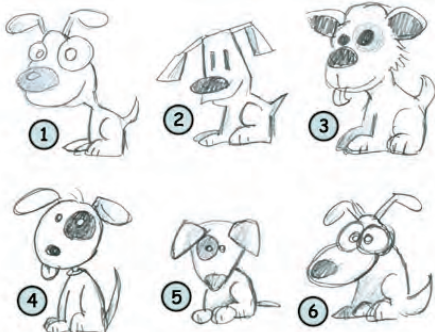
Learn how to draw some of your favorite cartoon characters using a variety of drawing materials, then use your new skills to create original characters of your own.

Activ/Sect#	Dates	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
331001 A2	9/17	Tue	6:45-7:30 pm	\$30/\$45
331001 B2	10/29	Tue	6:45-7:30 pm	\$30/\$45

SCULPTURE TECHNIQUE- Ages 11-15

Advance your skills using sculpting materials such as paper mache, balsa foam and various types of clay to create 3-dimensional works of art.

Activ/Sect#	Dates	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
331001 A3	9/17	Tue	7:30-8:30 pm	\$30/\$45
331001 B3	10/29	Tue	7:30-8:30 pm	\$30/\$45



THEMED CRAFTS

1 day classes

Ages 2.5 to 5 with parent/adult

Instructor: Deb Chvilicek

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Road

Note: Please dress for a mess! Paints and glues can stain. A paint smock is recommended. Please bring only the child registered for this activity to class.



HAPPY HALLOWEEN

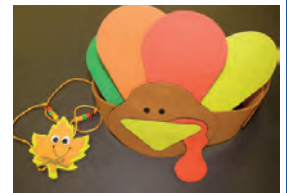
We'll put together a mini pumpkin bucket, a vampire sucker and a spiderweb placemat to make the season's ghosts and goblins feel welcome.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
342101 A1	10/22	Tue	9:00-9:50 am	\$6 / \$9



TURKEY DAY CRAFTS

Get into the spirit of the Thanksgiving holiday with a turkey headband, fall leaf necklace and a pilgrim hat treat holder made from kits.



Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
342101 A2	11/19	Tue	9:00-9:50 am	\$6 / \$9

CHRISTMAS CRAFTS

Decorate an 8" wreath, a Christmas mitten treat holder, and make a Santa ornament to help you celebrate the holidays



Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
342101 A3	12/10	Tue	9:00-9:50 am	\$6 / \$9

Mite Sports



5 classes

Location All Classes: St. John's School
2525 W. Oakwood Rd

Instructors: Rachel L. Nessler

Class will not meet on: 11/30

Players learn basic skills and play in "just for fun" scrimmages. Rules and proper play are introduced and everyone gets an equal chance to play. Fun, learning and sportsmanship are stressed at all times. Parents are invited to open house on the final day of class.

SOCCER - AGES 4-5

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR	Fee
341302-A1	9/21	Sat	9:00-9:45 am	\$22/\$33	
341302-A2	9/21	Sat	9:45-10:30 am	\$22/\$33	
341302-A3	9/21	Sat	10:30-11:15 am	\$22/\$33	

SPORT SPARKS - AGES 3-5

Spark your child's skill development with games and fun that build fundamental throwing, catching, movement and balance skills and will benefit them in any sport.

Children who do not use the rest room independently may attend, however a parent will need to remain in the building to assist as needed.

Activ/Sect#	Ages	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR	Fee
341301-A2	4-5	11/2	Sat	10:00-10:45 am	\$22/\$33	
341301-A3	4-5	11/2	Sat	10:45-11:30 am	\$22/\$33	
341301-A4	3-4	11/2	Sat	9:15-10:00 am	\$22/\$33	



Wee Cook (4 classes)

Ages 2.5 to 4 with parent or other adult



Have fun making creative, child friendly snacks requiring minimal preparation and little or no cooking, then enjoy taste testing your creation.

Our little chefs will color a page in their "cookbook" for the recipes used in class. [Recipes change each session.](#)

Class will not meet on 12/10

Instructor: Deborah A. Chvilicek

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR	Fee
341204-A1	10/15	Tue	10:15-11:15 am	\$24/\$36	
341204-A2	11/19	Tue	10:15-11:15 am	\$24/\$36	



Toddler Playtime

The gym will be open for Toddlers and Preschoolers to play while mom, dad or other caretaker supervise and enjoy social time with other adults. Toys and "climbers" will be available for the kids.

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.

Pay at the door: \$2 per adult with child(ren)

Day	Time	Begins/Ends
Tues	10:30 am - 12:00 pm	9/17 to 11/5
Thu	10:30 am - 12:00 pm	9/19 to 11/7

Little Learners (6 classes)

Ages 2.5 to 4 years



Boost your child's language, coordination, and listening skills through active games, stories, and songs. The class will integrate a variety of learning ideas with a big helping of fun to promote important pre-school concepts and social skills. Parents do not accompany children during this class. Children in diapers may attend, however parents of children in diapers must remain in the building in case the child needs changing.

Instructor: Amy Hildebrandt

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
341205-A1	9/16	Mon	10:00-10:45 am	\$24/\$36
341205-A2	11/4	Mon	10:00-10:45 am	\$24/\$36

Indoor Beginner Tennis (Age 5-13)

6 classes



Enjoy the game of a life time!
Designed for people looking to learn and develop their tennis skills. Bring your game to the level where you feel comfortable playing a real match. Bring a racquet or borrow one for class, balls are provided.

Activ/Sect#	Ages	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
347601-A1	5-8	9/8	Sun	12:00-1:00 pm	\$65/\$70
347601-A2	9-10	9/8	Sun	1:00-2:00 pm	\$65/\$70
347601-A3	11-14	9/8	Sun	2:00-3:00 pm	\$65/\$70
347601-B1	5-8	10/20	Sun	12:00-1:00 pm	\$65/\$70
347601-B2	9-10	10/20	Sun	1:00-2:00 pm	\$65/\$70
347601-B3	11-14	10/20	Sun	2:00-3:00 pm	\$65/\$70

Indoor Intermediate Tennis (Age 14+)

6 classes

Balls provided. Tennis racquets available for use during class time. Feel free to bring your own racquet.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
347611-A1	9/8	Sun	2:00-3:00 pm	\$65/\$70
347611-B1	10/20	Sun	2:00-3:00 pm	\$65/\$70

All Classes:

Instructors: Racine Tennis Club Instructors

Location: Racine Tennis Club, 5100 Briarwood Lane, Racine

Registration opens immediately for classes beginning 9/8

Junior Basketball League

Ages 4 & 5 - Mixed Boys & Girls League

January 6 thru February 19

MONDAY & TUESDAY

JANUARY 6 & 7:

Practice, Team Selection & Schedule Distribution. Times to be scheduled between 6 - 8 pm

PRACTICES--

Saturday, January 11 afternoon **AND** Mondays or Tuesdays, Jan. 13 thru Feb. 25
6:00-6:45 pm **or** 6:45-7:30 pm
Time and day to be assigned

GAMES--

Saturday afternoons
January 18 thru March 1



LOCATION--

St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Registration flyers will be available during the *last week of November* in the Recreation Office and on the Recreation Department website at:

www.oakcreekwi.org

- Mon. December 2- Resident & OCF School District Registration opens
- Mon. December 9 - Non-Resident Registration

JOIN OUR REC E-MAIL LISTS!

Sign up to receive up-to-the-minute class and activity announcements and reminders? Do you want to be the first to know when the "Acorn" is online?

Join our mailing list by using the QR code with your smart phone or go to our website at the link below and fill out the email list form. We do not share or sell your email information.



<http://www.oakcreekwi.org/rec/signup.htm>

Cheer - 6 classes

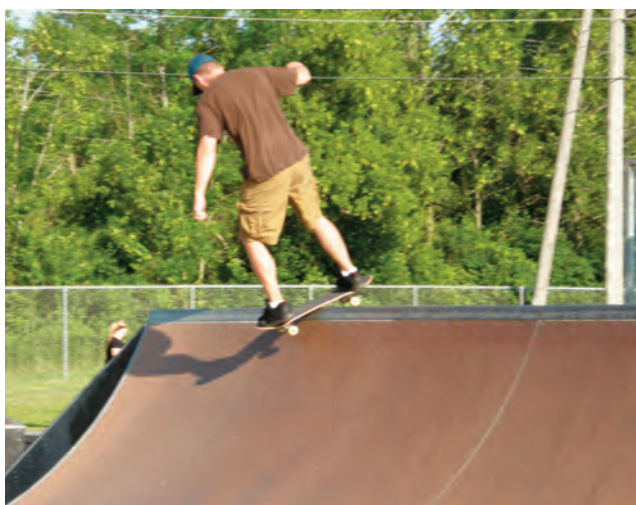
Learn beginning motions, jumps, cheers, chants and dances. Sharpen your cheerleading skills, learn cheer technique and have fun.



Instructor: Amanda Recore

Location: OCHS Wrestling Room

Activ/Sect#	Ages	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
349201-A1	5-7	9/16	Mon	6:00-6:45 pm	\$24/\$36
349201-A2	8-10	9/16	Mon	6:50-7:50 pm	\$24/\$36
349201-A3	5-7	11/4	Mon	6:00-6:45 pm	\$24/\$36
349201-A4	8-10	11/4	Mon	6:50-7:50 pm	\$24/\$36



Babysitting - Ages 11-16

2 classes



The Red Cross Babysitting Course helps you learn the responsibilities of a babysitter. Topics include:

- ✓ Safety
- ✓ Supervision
- ✓ Basic care of children.

Attendance at all class sessions and completion of ALL written assignments and skills are required to receive certification. **Make up classes are not available.**

Bring a pen or pencil and a snack if you would like one.

NO REFUNDS AFTER 4:45PM 1 DAY PRIOR TO CLASS START.

Instructor: Susan Stadler

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Dates	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
340001-A2	9/17 & 9/24	Tue	6 - 9 pm	\$48/\$59
340001-A3	10/10 & 10/17	Thu	6 - 9 pm	\$48/\$59
340001-A4	11/12 & 11/19	Tue	6 - 9 pm	\$48/\$59

Drama - Grades 1 to 6 (when class begins)

10 classes

Join the fun! Be a part of the Oak Creek Recreation's instructional theater class.

Discover the basic fundamentals of acting through training in stage direction, facial expressions, character development, vocal interpretation, gestures and auditioning.



Instructor: Dawn Leys

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
341101-A1	9/17	Tues/Thur	6:00-8:00 pm	\$28/\$42



Kids Stuff

Youth Golf - Beginner (Age 10-16)

4 classes

Class will cover the fundamentals of swing, stance, golf terms. Clubs are available, participants bringing their own should bring a 7 iron to the first class.



\$28 FEE for driving range balls due at 1ST class. Payable to Gastrau's Driving Range

Instructor: Gastrau Instructor

Location: Gastrau Driving Rng, 1300 E. Rawson Avenue

Inclement weather after 5pm? Call Gastrau's at 571-7002

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
344001-A1	9/12	Thu	5:00-6:00 pm	\$22/\$33

Non-Resident Registration opens Tuesday, September 3



TaeKwonDo

(Ages 6.5 thru adult)

TaeKwonDo is truly a Way of Life sport that isn't just about punching and kicking. It teaches the age old values of honor, respect and perseverance.

Other Fees: Dobok (uniform) is required. Cost: \$50
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 as students advance.

All TaeKwonDo classes cancelled on: 11/26 ,11/28

Instructor: Aaron Zehner

Location: Oak Creek High School Wrestling Room

Beginner (12 classes)

Beginner is for new students, white and high-white belts. It is recommended, but not required, that beginners take classes twice per week.

Activ/Sect#	Ages	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
346001-A1	6.5-17	9/10	Tue	6:30-7:30 pm	\$42/\$63
346001-A2	18 & up	9/10	Tue	6:30-7:30 pm	\$54/\$81
346001-A3	6.5-17	9/12	Thu	6:30-7:30 pm	\$42/\$63
346001-A4	18 & up	9/12	Thu	6:30-7:30 pm	\$54/\$81

Advanced Beginner (24 classes)

Yellow belts and above

Activ/Sect#	Ages	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
346002-A1	6.5-17	9/10	Tue,Thu	7:30-8:30 pm	\$84/\$126
346002-A2	18 & up	9/10	Tue,Thu	7:30-8:30 pm	\$108/\$162

All TaeKwonDo registration opens immediately

Bowling-South Park

Grades K5 through 8

6 classes



Coaches will move around the lanes to assist beginners with properly selecting, gripping and throwing a bowling ball. Returning students will refresh beginner techniques, then begin the 4 step approach, spare shooting and scoring as they progress. Fee includes 2 games of bowling and shoe rental. End time is approximate.

Location:

South Park Lanes, 305 N. Chicago Ave., So. Milwaukee

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
341001-A1	9/14	Sat	10:30 am-12:00 pm	\$35/\$35
341001-A2	10/26	Sat	10:30 am-12:00 pm	\$35/\$35
341001-A3	12/7	Sat	10:30 am-12:00 pm	\$35/\$35

PHOTOS:
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Thank You!



Thanks to all who participated in our National Parks & Recreation Month events! Congratulations to those who found and returned ducks from the duck hunt, and those who have stopped in with their completed Rec-Opoly games.

We can't wait to get started on next summer's celebration!

Enjoy the photos of our month-long celebration in this issue of the Acorn



We love Parks and Recreation because-

... this just reinforces what I already know, that the Oak Creek Recreation Department does a great job, every year, finding ways to provide great service and great opportunities for our kids (and us adults) to get out and be active...

Joe C.



The variety of programs. The ease and friendliness of the groups as well as the convenience. Doesn't force you to conform and you can do as you're comfortable.

CEJ



...They have a lot to offer senior citizens to do.

Marilyn C.

We meet awesome people from our community and affordable. And my kids love the activities.

Tracy W.



Tai Chi Beginners

9 classes



Tai Chi is a non-impact exercise program of slow controlled movements of the body, arms, hands, legs, and feet in coordination with the mind and controlled breathing. Practiced daily, Tai Chi improves body awareness, postural alignment, coordination, strength and flexibility.

Water bottle optional

Class will not meet on: 10/16

Instructor: Cathy Stocker

Location: East Middle School- 6A Common Area

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
361004-A1	9/18	Wed	7:00-8:00 pm	\$67/\$70

Simply Yoga

9 classes



Stressed? Relax your mind while increasing strength and flexibility with simple yoga exercises. This class will teach you basic level breathing techniques and a variety of beginner level seated, standing, and mat postures.

Bring a mat and a water bottle.

Class will not meet on: 10/16

Instructor: Cathy Stocker

Location: East Middle School- 6A Common Area

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
361005-A1	9/18	Wed	6:00-7:00 pm	\$67/\$70

Pilates

10 classes



Pilates is a full body workout designed to strengthen and tone muscles. By increasing flexibility and balance, improving posture and reducing stress, Pilates will leave you looking & feeling great.

Water bottle recommended. Bring an exercise mat.

Class will not meet on: 10/22

Instructor: Kaye Kass

Location: East Middle School- 6A Common Area

Beginner

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
361006-A1	9/17	Tue	7:00-8:00 pm	\$39/\$58.50

Intermediate

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
361006-A2	9/17	Tue	8:00-9:00 pm	\$39/\$58.50

Zumba Gold - Ages 50+

10 classes

Enjoy Zumba geared for active adults ages 50 and better. Enjoy dancing to Latin and global music.



Instructor:
Vickie M. Strachota

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	FYC/Res/NR
361112-A1	9/19	Thu	9:00-9:45 am	\$27/\$31/\$33

Get Movin' - Adults

Indoor Beginner Tennis (Ages 15+ & Up)

6 classes



Beginner to Intermediate. Learn to play or improve your skills. Balls provided and tennis racquets are available for use during class time. Feel free to bring your own racquet.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
367601-A1	9/8	Sun	3 - 4 PM	\$65 / \$70
367601-B1	10/20	Sun	3 - 4 PM	\$65 / \$70

Registration opens immediately for class beginning 9/8

Instructor: Racine Tennis Club Instructors

Location: Racine Tennis Club, 5100 Briarwood Lane, Racine

No Pretzel Yoga (Age 50+) - 6 classes



Start getting back into shape with simple, but effective seated & standing yoga exercises that strengthen the cardiovascular system, gently tone & stretch muscles, and improve mental health.

No Pretzel poses here!

Class will not meet on 11/28

Instructor: Cathy Stocker

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	FYC/Res/NR
392003-A5	9/19	Thur	9:45-10:40 am	\$30/\$34/\$37
392003-A7	11/07	Thur	9:30-10:25 am	\$30/\$34/\$37

Golf ~ Adult - 4 classes

BEGINNER

Learn the game or improve your score. Beginner classes focus on the fundamentals of swing, stance, grip.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
364001-A1	9/12	Thu	6:00-7:00 pm	\$36/\$52

Unlimited driving range ball fee paid to Gastrau: \$28.

Clubs are available for use during class. Those bringing their own should bring a 7 iron.

Instructor: Gastrau Golf Range Instructor

Location: Gastrau Driving Range, 1300 E Rawson Ave.



Inclement weather after 5pm?

Call Gastrau's at 571-7002

Non-resident registration opens Tuesday, September 3



Coming this fall . . .

Be ready for the
2nd Mayor's Fitness Challenge!

Sign up for fitness classes and activities with the
Oak Creek Recreation Department
that will keep you moving through fall.

Registration forms
pages 43 & 45
or online at
<http://city.oakcreekwi.org/webtrac/>



SENSIBLE



10 classes

Improve bone density, increase the strength of connective tissue, keep your muscle mass and avoid injury with strength training! Start here with basic exercises designed for the adult who is new to strength training or hasn't exercised in a while. Work seated or standing at a level that is right for you

Instructor: Amy Hildebrandt

Location: OCHS Cafeteria

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR	Fee
361903-A1	9/23	Mon	6:00-6:50 pm	\$36/\$39	

Zumba

8 classes

Zumba fuses Latin and global music, using dynamic and energetic dance themes to give you a dose of fun and fitness. You'll dance like you've never danced before, all the while gaining the benefits of an aerobic workout.



Bring a towel and a water bottle.

Instructor: Hope M. Patchak

Location: Oak Creek High School Cafeteria

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR	Fee
361012-A1	9/17	Tue	6:00-7:00 pm	\$32/\$48	
361012-A2	9/19	Thu	6:00-7:00 pm	\$32/\$48	

Web Trac !

Register any time (day or night) for Recreation classes in the comfort of your home or office!



<http://city.oakcreekwi.org/webtrac/>

MasterCard, Visa,
Discover & American Express



Zumba Toning

5 classes

Blend body-sculpting techniques and specific Zumba moves into one calorie-burning strength-training class. You'll use maraca-like Zumba Toning Sticks to enhance rhythm, build strength and tone all the target zones.

Bring a water bottle.

Instructor: Kaye Kass

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.



Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR	Fee
361113-A1	9/18	Wed	11 am-12:00 pm	\$20 / \$30	
361113-A2	10/23	Wed	11 am-12:00 pm	\$20 / \$30	

OPEN VOLLEYBALL ~ Adult

Location: St. John's Gym, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>AGE(S)</u>	<u>BEGINS / ENDS</u>
Thursday	6:30-8:30 PM	18 & Up	Oct 3- Nov 21

Fee paid at door per session:

\$3.00 residents with ID
\$5.00 non-residents



Residents must have identification available when arriving.

OPEN BASKETBALL ~ Adult

NEW LOCATION:

St. John's School Gym, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>AGE(S)</u>	<u>BEGINS / ENDS</u>
Sunday	6:00-7:30 PM	18 & Up	Oct 6- Nov 17
Sunday	7:30-9:00 PM	18 & Up	Oct 6- Nov 17

Fee paid at door PER SESSION:

\$3.00 residents with ID
\$5.00 non-residents



Residents must have identification available when arriving.



Fitness Walking

HOURS: Mon. thru Thurs. 6 - 8:30 PM
Saturdays 9 AM to Noon

REGISTER for the Fitness Walking Club. Reap the benefits of staying in shape this fall & winter, while enjoying the motivation of belonging to a group.

- * All walkers **must** wear the Fitness Walking T-shirt to identify them as a walker.
- * **Option:** Earn milestone certificates starting at 10 miles

REGISTRATION:

Daily registration accepted at Recreation Office or on site, semester/seasonal registration information below

CLOSED: Oct. 2, & 16, Nov. 28 & 30, Dec. 8 thru Jan. 5, Jan. 8, Feb. 13 & March 5

SEMESTER REGISTRATION INFO:

	<u>Activity/Sec.#</u>
Semester 1-Sept. 30 to Dec. 7	522101 F1
Semester 2-Jan. 6 to March 29	522101 F2

Fee Per Semester: Resident: \$14* / Non-Resident \$21*

***Shirt Fee:** \$6.50 required at first registration, shirt issued at door

FULL SEASON REGISTRATION INFO:

	<u>Activity/Sec.#</u>
Full Season-Sept. 30 to March 29, 2014	522101 FW

Fee for Full Season: Resident \$24* / Non-Resident \$36*

***Shirt Fee:** \$6.50 required at first registration, shirt issued at door)

DAILY FEE (WRISTBAND ONLY). ID REQUIRED:

Daily Fee: Resident \$3.00 / Non-Resident \$5.00

Activity/Section# 522021 DW

Only currently registered walkers **WEARING** shirt **or** wristband will be permitted to walk.

LOCATION: Oak Creek High School 1st floor hallways.



First Aid & CPR

Red Cross certification will be issued upon completion of class, including successful completion of all skills and a multiple choice test.

Fee includes: Ready reference card(s), use of book during class. Download & pricing information for book will be available at class.

Cancellations must be made by 4:45PM one day prior to first class to receive a refund (minus \$3 fee)

Instructor: Amy Hildebrandt

Location: St. John's School, 2525W Oakwood Rd.

1st Aid

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
362001-A1	10/16	Wed	6 - 9 pm	\$32 / \$48

Adult & Child CPR

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	Res/NR Fee
362003-A1	10/23	Wed	6 - 9 pm	\$42 / \$63

NATIONAL PARKS & RECREATION MONTH CELEBRATION PHOTOS



Don't Delay!

Don't Wait to Enroll!

Classes with insufficient registration will be cancelled at the Department's discretion. Avoid disappointment.

Registration Deadlines
and Information on
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JOIN THE CLUB

Visit or Call~

Deb Chvilicek
50+ Activities Coordinator

FYC CLUBS FOR MEMBERS ONLY



Ramblin' Roses Red Hat Society

Email: foreveryoung@oakcreekwi.org
Business Hours: Weekdays, 10 am to 2 pm
Phone: 414-768-5850

CARD SOCIAL & BUSINESS MEETING

Mondays
9:50 AM to 2:00 PM at "The Center"



or

Oak Creek Recreation Department
Monday thru Friday, 8 AM to 4:45 PM
414-768-6515 Email: rec@oakcreekwi.org

Website:
www.oakcreekwi.org/rec

TRIPS & SPECIAL EVENTS

* See the Forever Young Club's monthly newsletter or our website for more details as they become available--

- ▶ **September 29:**-Racine Theatre Guild "Suite Surrender" and Asian Buffet.
Registration open (Activity/Sect# 392002 A2)
- ▶ **October 18:**-Ho-Chunk.
Registration open (Activity/Sect# 392002 A3)
- ▶ * **November 26:**-Potawatomi
- ▶ * **December 6:**-Holiday Celebration Party
- ▶ * **December 8:**-Candy Cane Tales & Holiday Carols play and dinner

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- Annual Forever Young Membership currently \$7/yr July 1 - December 31 membership ONLY \$3.50
- **SAVE** money with member discounts and **FREE** activities
- Reduce stress with an active social life
- Enjoy friends, new and old, at our many club activities
- Improve your fitness level with exercise classes specifically for those 50+
- Expand your horizons with our special interest groups and clubs
- Learn about community resources from our club's library of references, coordinator and speakers

ACTIVITIES / CLASSES

- Volunteer Opportunities
- Fitness Classes*
- Art Classes*
- Blood Pressure Monitoring
- Yoga & Tai Chi* **and more . . .**

* classes marked with an asterisk are listed in this "Acorn."

Register in the Recreation Office

EAT-N-GREET

Relax, play cards, chat, and enjoy a number of different food items with the following food themes at a reasonable cost.

- ▶ **September 11:** National Breakfast Month.
Registration open (Activity/Sect # 392001 A4)
- ▶ * **October 9:** Breast Cancer Awareness "pink food" month
- ▶ * **November 13:** National Cook for your Pet Month
- ▶ * **December 11:** Trip to the North Pole

FACEBOOK - LIKE US!

Search for:

Oak Creek Recreation 50+ Activities
Visit us for information on new activities, classes, contests, class cancellations due to inclement weather, etc.



WII BOWLING LEAGUE FOR FYC MEMBERS ONLY

September 12 - October 31 (8 weeks)
Thursdays at 1:45 pm

Like Bowling?

Wii is good for every physical level. You can sit and play as well as stand, and you don't have to lift a heavy ball!

No fee!

This is a drop in activity, no registration required.



GREETING CARD WORKSHOPS - 1 CLASS

You'll learn stamping techniques, share ideas and have fun making personalized cards.



Wednesday, September 18

Activity/Section # 392003-A8

Make a variety of Halloween and Thank You cards

Wednesday, November 6

Activity/Section #392003-B7

Make a variety of Holiday Cards and Gift Card Holders



Wednesday, December 4

Activity/Section # 392003-B9

Make a variety of Holiday Cards

Activ/Sect#	Date	Day	Time	FYC / Res / NR
392003-A8	9/18	Wed	12:30-3:00 pm	\$13/ \$15 /\$18
392003-B7	11/6	Wed	12:30-3:00 pm	\$13/ \$15 /\$18
392003-B9	12/4	Wed	12:30-3:00 pm	\$13/ \$15 /\$18

All class materials included

KNIT, CROCHET & CHAT

Starting September 19

We will be taking December off

For members of the
FYC or Threads of
Compassion



Beginners Welcome

1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd

Time 10 am to Noon

Yarn provided for Comfort shawls for "Threads of Compassion" Southeast Transplant Program or bring your own yarn to work on your own projects.

No fee! This is a drop in activity

Call 768-6515 for information

JOIN OUR REC E-MAIL LISTS!

Sign up to receive up-to-the-minute class and activity announcements. Would you like registration reminders? Do you want to be the first to know when the "Acorn" is online?

Join our mailing list by using the below QR code with your smart phone or go to our website at the link below and fill out the email list form. We do not share or sell your email information.

<http://www.oakcreekwi.org/rec/signup.htm>



ACTIVE ADULTS - 50+



Fit for the 50's

12 classes

Adults 50+. Light strength training, chair exercises and standing, warm up and cool downs for the mature adult who wants to begin exercising. Tuesday class will include a healthy, easily prepared snack with recipes.

Class will not meet on: 11/28

Instructor: Amy Hildebrandt

Location: Oak Creek Community Center, 8580 S. Howell Ave.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	FYC/Res/NR
361902-A1	10/1	Tue,Thu	12:30-1:30 pm	\$17/\$20/\$23
361902-A2	11/7	Tue,Thu	12:30-1:30 pm	\$17/\$20/\$23

Zumba Gold

10 classes

Enjoy Zumba geared for active adults ages 50 and better. Enjoy dancing to Latin and global music.

Instructor: Vickie M. Strachota

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	FYC/Res/NR
361112-A1	9/19	Thu	9:00-9:45 am	\$27/\$31/\$33



FITNESS BALL GOLD

6 classes

Stability ball exercise will increase balance, coordination and strengthen the muscles that support your back and abdomen.



Bring a mat for warm up/cool down & water bottle

Fitness balls will be provided, and bases available to provide stability while learning to balance on the ball.

Instructor: Amy Hildebrandt

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	FYC/Res/NR
361901-A1	9/18	Wed	9:30-10:15 am	\$27 / \$31/ \$33
361902-A2	11/6	Wed	9:30-10:15 am	\$27 / \$31 / \$33

The Next Step (12 classes)

Is it time for the Next Step on the road to fitness?

The Next Step is an exciting opportunity to target and strengthen your major muscle groups at a level and pace that is right for you. Therapy Plus is providing their equipment and the supervision of a registered Physical Therapist for this 12 class session at an unbeatable price.

Location: Therapy Plus, 8619 S. Howell Ave.

Instructor: Richard Bigalk, Registered Physical Therapist

Class will not meet on 11/28

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	FYC/Non-Mbr
392003-A6	09/23	Mon & Thu	1:00-2:00 pm	\$18/\$22
392003-B6	11/04	Mon & Thu	1:00-2:00 pm	\$18/\$22

LET'S GET MOVING

6 classes

Get your heart pumping and your body moving through light to moderate calorie burning exercises, stretching and balance work. Improve your overall level of fitness and promote weight loss.



BRING: Towel and a water bottle.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	FYC / Res / NR
392203-A1	9/18	Wed	10:30-11:20 am	\$19/ \$22 /\$25
392203-A2	11/13	Wed	10:30-11:20 am	\$19/ \$22 /\$25

Instructor: Amy Hildebrandt

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd

No Pretzel Yoga (50+) - 6 classes



Start getting back into shape with simple, but effective seated & standing yoga exercises that strengthen the cardiovascular system, gently tone & stretch muscles, & improve mental health.

No Pretzel poses here!

Class will not meet on 11/28

Instructor: Cathy Stocker

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	FYC/Res/NR
392003-A5	9/19	Thur	9:45-10:40 am	\$30/\$34/\$37
392003-A7	11/07	Thur	9:45-10:40 am	\$30/\$34/\$37

30 Benefits of Qigong

1. Loosens Muscles
2. Builds Power
3. Strengthens Organs
4. Slows Respiration
5. Strengthens Nerves
6. Builds Bone Density
7. Prevents Joint Injury
8. Strengthens Ligaments
9. Destroys Free Radicals
10. Increases Injury Recovery
11. Decreases Stress
12. Balances Emotions
13. Improves Circulation
14. Prevents Muscular Spasms
15. Reduces Pain
16. Lowers Heart Rate
17. Normalizes EKG
18. Lowers Blood Pressure
19. Improves Asthma
20. Relieves Bronchitis
21. Builds Immune System
22. Relieves Migraines
23. Decreases Stroke Risk
24. Improves Skin Elasticity
25. Improves Posture
26. Improves Flexibility
27. Increases Balance
28. Improves Memory
29. Aides in Digestion
30. Improves Kidney Function



TAI CHI / QIGONG

6 classes



Come explore the art of relaxation and breathing.

Enhance your mental focus, coordination and balance.

Activ/Sect#	Begins	Day	Time	FYC / Res / NR
392003-A3	9/19	Thur	8:55-9:40 am	\$30 / \$34 / \$37
392003-A4	11/07	Thur	8:55-9:40 am	\$30 / \$34 / \$37

Instructor: Cathy Stocker

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

Silk Scarf Painting - 1 class

You don't need to be a painter to create beautiful, wearable art! Using vibrant dyes, you'll create two hand-painted silk scarves and a fan in this fun, hands-on workshop. No experience needed. *Dress for a mess. Ink dye will stain*

Instructor: Kasia Drake-Hames

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Date	Day	Time	FYC / Res / NR
392003-C3	10/23	Wed	6:30 - 9:00 pm	\$23 / \$26 / \$29

Advanced Scarf Painting - 1 class

Intrigued by silk painting? Or maybe you have some experience already? Learn to construct and use a reusable printing block, dyes and resist methods as well as how to build up layers of color, add intricate details and create rich surfaces with these techniques to design and create two hand-painted silk scarves that are ready to wear. *Dress for a mess. Ink dye will stain.*

Instructor: Kasia Drake-Hames

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Date	Day	Time	FYC / Res / NR
392003-C4	10/30	Wed	6:30 - 9:00 pm	\$23 / \$26 / \$29

Felted Bracelets - 1 class

Learn the wet-felting technique to turn dyed wool into one of a kind bangle bracelets using just soap and water. Each person will make 2 bracelets that are ready to wear and made to last.



Instructor: Kasia Drake-Hames

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Date	Day	Time	FYC / Res / NR
392003-C2	11/6	Wed	6:30 - 9:00 pm	\$23 / \$26 / \$28

Basketry Basic - 1 class

Learn how to create hand woven baskets using both reeds and non-traditional materials to create two 4" by 7" tall (including handle) baskets. Basket weaving is fun and easy. Baskets make great gifts. *No prior art experience required!*

Instructor: Kasia Drake-Hames

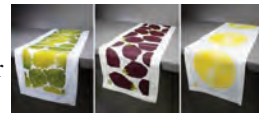


Location: Oak Creek Community Center

Activ/Sect#	Date	Day	Time	FYC / Res / NR
392003-C1	9/18	Wed	6:30 - 9:00pm	\$23 / \$26 / \$28

Table Runner - 2 classes

Create a beautiful table runner. The first class will include "painting" your runner with fabric dyes and creating a reusable printing block from common craft materials. In the second class, you'll use your printing block to decorate your table runner using a variety of inks. Each person leaves with their own 14" x 54" decorative cotton table runner.



Instructor: Kasia Drake-Hames

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Road

Activ/Sect#	Dates	Day	Time	FYC / Res / NR
392003-C5	11/20, 11/27	Wed	6:30 - 9 pm	\$36 / \$39 / \$41

Tote Bag - 2 classes

Create your unique and handy tote bag. The first class will include "painting" your canvas bag with fabric dyes and creating a reusable printing block from common craft materials. In the second class, you'll use your printing block to customize your tote bag using a variety of inks. Each person leaves with their own 12" x 12" canvas tote bag, perfect for shopping, the farmer's market or beach.



Instructor: Kasia Drake-Hames

Location: St. John's School, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

Activ/Sect#	Dates	Day	Time	FYC / Res / NR
392003-C6	10/2, 10/9	Wed	6:30 - 9 pm	\$35 / \$38 / \$40

Tapestry Weaving - 2 classes

Learn the traditional technique of tapestry weaving while creating your own hand-woven wall hanging. The first class will include making a simple hand-held loom, learning hand-weaving stitches and designing your imagery. In the second class you'll finish your 6" x 8" wall hanging and remove it from the loom. You'll learn about world hand weaving traditions and go home with an original work of art! *No experience required.*

Instructor: Kasia Drake-Hames

Location: Oak Creek Community Center

Activ/Sect#	Dates	Day	Time	FYC / Res / NR
392003-C7	9/4, 9/11	Weds	6:30-9 pm	\$29 / \$32 / \$34

ALL SUPPLIES INCLUDED

Healthier Baking



Feel better about dessert!
Explore healthier substitutions
for common baking ingredients.
There will be samples to taste
and recipes to take home.

Instructor: Amy Hildebrandt

Location: Oak Creek Community Center

Activ/Sect#	Date	Day	Time	FYC / Non-Mbr
392003-B1	11/21	Thur	1:00 - 2:00 pm	\$6 / \$ 8

Pesto with Punch!

Pesto isn't just for pasta anymore! Use a variety of ingredients, and see some new ways to use pesto in cooking. Try some samples and take recipes home.

Instructor: Amy Hildebrandt

Location: Oak Creek Community Center

Activ/Sect#	Date	Day	Time	FYC / Non-Mbr
392003-B3	9/05	Thur	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$ 6 / \$ 8

What is pesto? Pesto sauces, made with numerous different ingredients, have been part of Italian cuisines since Roman times. Pesto is a very versatile sauce and can be used as a bruschetta topping, on pasta, on cooked meats, and even in soups.

Holiday Quick Breads - No Knead to Rise

Learn how to make a few holiday "quick breads".
Try some samples and take recipes home.

We will be making two mini loaves for you to enjoy
yourself or give as gifts!

Instructor: Amy Hildebrandt

Location: Oak Creek Community Center

Activ/Sect#	Date	Day	Time	FYC / Non-Mbr
392003-B2	12/05	Thur	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$6 / \$ 8



Gluten Free Baking

Learn about different gluten free flours and how to
use them when baking. We will have samples and
recipes to share.

Instructor: Amy Hildebrandt

Location: Oak Creek Community Center

Activ/Sect#	Date	Day	Time	FYC / Non-Mbr
392003-B4	10/10	Thur	1:00 - 2:00 pm	\$8 / \$ 10



REGISTRATION MADE EASY

NEW!

Oak Creek Residents & Oak Creek-Franklin School District Students!

1st Come, 1st Serve Registration!!

**Opens Friday, August 30 at 8 am
MAIL, FAX, DROP OFF or ONLINE**

Phone in opens Wed. Sept. 11 at 8 am

NON-RESIDENT REGISTRATION

Opens Wednesday, September 11 at 8 am

AM I A RESIDENT?

Resident fee applies to any person whose primary residence is within the Oak Creek city limits & *children attending the Oak Creek-Franklin School District*. See below.

PROOF OF RESIDENCY & DATE OF BIRTH REQUIREMENTS

FIRST REGISTRATION:

- ✓ Proof of residency
- ✓ Proof of date of birth. If the child's name does not match the parent/guardian, proof of residency is required for the child

ANNUALLY:

- ✓ Oak Creek-Franklin students *not living in the Oak Creek/Franklin School District* must provide proof of school district attendance each school year.
- * Proof of residency may be required at any subsequent registration when in the Department opinion, it is warranted.

QUESTIONS? PHONE 414-768-6515

NOTES!

- ▶ The Department is not responsible for registrations not received on time.
- ▶ We accept cash, check, VISA, Discover, American Express or MasterCard are accepted for payment.
- ▶ Registrations/payments are not accepted at class site.
- ▶ **Registrations received without payment &/or required documentation will be returned without processing!**

WAITING LISTS

- ▶ Waiting lists are available for all filled classes.
- ▶ Waiting lists **do not carry over** from one season to the next.
- ▶ We call off the waiting list until 1/3 of the class has been completed.

RECEIPTS

In an effort to save paper and postage, registration receipts processed by the Recreation office will be emailed to households with an email on file. Please make sure your email information on file is current. When registering online, you may print your receipt at that time.

WAYS TO REGISTER



ONLINE:

<http://city.oakcreekwi.org/webtrac/>
Call to find out how to get your user name and password

VISA, MasterCard, Discover & American Express accepted



DROP BOXES: located at the east and south entrances to Oak Creek City Hall & the City Hall parking lot.



MAIL IN OR WALK IN:

Oak Creek Recreation Department
8640 S. Howell Ave., P. O. Box 27
Oak Creek, WI 53154

Office Hrs: Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.



FAX: 414-768-6518

Fax your completed form & credit card information with proof of residency/date of birth if needed



PHONE IN begins September 11 at 8 am
414-768-6515

DON'T WAIT TO ENROLL!

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*Don't Wait!
Enroll Now!
Class size
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OAK CREEK RECREATION - REGISTRATION FORM

~ PLEASE PRINT ~

HOUSEHOLD NAME: _____
First Last

ADDRESS: _____
Street City State Zip

PHONE: _____
Home # Work # Mom or Dad Cell # Mom or Dad Emergency Contact Name & Phone # & Relationship

Email: _____ **Do you live in Oak Creek-Franklin School District?** Yes No
Do your child(ren) attend OC-F School District school(s)? Yes No

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I understand that the Oak Creek Recreation 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. 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 Recreation 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. **I have read and fully understand the above waiver of liability statement.**

 PARTICIPANT OR PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

 DATE

Participant First & Last Name	Sex	Age	Birth Date	Grade 2013-2014 Schl Yr	Activity Name Required	Football/Soccer T-Shirt size only	1st Choice Activity/Sect#	2nd Choice Activity/Sect#	Fee
Forms received without payment & incomplete forms will be returned <u>WITHOUT</u> processing!									Total Fee: \$

Special Information: (ie: medical, physical, allergies)-- _____

CHECK PAYABLE TO: OC Rec or Oak Creek Recreation Dept.

REGISTER ONLINE: <http://city.oakcreekwi.org/webtrac/>

FAX TO: 414-768-6518

MAIL: Oak Creek Recreation Department
 P. O. Box 27, 8640 S. Howell Ave., Oak Creek WI 53154

Did you? include payment Fill out form **completely!**
Include: Proof of date of birth Proof of residency
 Sign & date form Pick a 2nd choice

MasterCard VISA Discover AmExpress Account # _____

Expiration Date: _____ 3 or 4 digit Security Code _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Proof	Need	Have
DOB		
Residency		
Child Res.		
Receipt #		
Initials		
Date		

Office Use Only: CASH Check # _____ emailed log-in info emailed receipt

YOUTH BUDDY CARPOOL REQUEST

(Adult Buddy Requests -Information on Pg. 21)



PLEASE NOTE:

- ✓ Siblings will be placed together-*no form is required*. Notify the office if you **DO NOT** want siblings placed together.
- ✓ All other requests are limited to a maximum of 3 persons.
- ✓ We prefer to accommodate your requests, however any request may be denied at the department's discretion.
- ✓ If one member of a group is placed on the wait list, the entire group will be placed on the wait list.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW ~ PLEASE PRINT~

Participant #1: _____ Participant #2: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

In class/activity (list class name & activity/section#): _____

Signature of Participant #1 Parent/Guardian (required)

Date

Signature of Participant #2 Parent/Guardian (required)

Date

Dave got off the couch a year ago.
He hasn't been back on it since.

Want to enjoy life more? Stay healthy? Get in shape? It starts in parks. Public parks and recreation facilities are where to go to get fit, reduce chronic disease and have fun. 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

Don: 71 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.

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First Last

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Street City State Zip

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PARTICIPANT OR PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

Participant First & Last Name	Sex	Age	Birth Date	Grade 2013-2014 Schl Yr	Activity Name Required	Football/ Soccer T-Shirt size only	1 st Choice Activity/Sect#	2 nd Choice Activity/Sect#	Fee
Forms received without payment & incomplete forms will be returned <u>WITHOUT</u> processing!									Total Fee: \$

Special Information: (ie: medical, physical, allergies)-- _____

CHECK PAYABLE TO: OC Rec or Oak Creek Recreation Dept.

FAX TO: 414-768-6518

MAIL: Oak Creek Recreation Department

P. O. Box 27, 8640 S. Howell Ave., Oak Creek WI 53154

REGISTER ONLINE: <http://city.oakcreekwi.org/webtrac/>

Did you? include payment Fill out form completely!
Include: Proof of date of birth Proof of residency
 Sign & date form Pick a 2nd choice

MasterCard VISA Discover AmExpress Account # _____

Expiration Date: _____ 3 or 4 digit Security Code _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Proof	Need	Have	Office Use Only: <input type="checkbox"/> CASH <input type="checkbox"/> Check # _____ <input type="checkbox"/> emailed log-in info <input type="checkbox"/> emailed receipt _____ _____ _____ _____
DOB			
Residency			
Child Res.			
Receipt #			
Initials			
Date			

Feel free to photocopy this page if you need more room or another registration form

YOUTH BUDDY CARPOOL REQUEST

(Adult Buddy Requests -Information on Pg. 21)

PLEASE NOTE:

- ✓ Siblings will be placed together-*no form is required*. Notify the office if you **DO NOT** want siblings placed together.
- ✓ All other requests are limited to a maximum of 3 persons.
- ✓ We prefer to accommodate your requests, however any request may be denied at the department's discretion.
- ✓ If one member of a group is placed on the wait list, the entire group will be placed on the wait list.



PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW ~ PLEASE PRINT~

Participant #1: _____ Participant #2: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

In class/activity (list class name & activity/section#): _____

Signature of Participant #1 Parent/Guardian (required)

Date

Signature of Participant #2 Parent/Guardian (required)

Date



HELP KEEP OAK CREEK SAFE FROM VANDALISM

Report vandalism & graffiti to the
Oak Creek Police Department
762-8200 or 911

(if the vandalism is in progress)

- ▶ 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

Keep our parks free of vandalism & graffiti



Busy Lifestyle? Why not drop in?



OPEN BASKETBALL ~ Adult

NEW LOCATION:

St. John's School Gym
2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>AGE(S)</u>	<u>BEGINS / ENDS</u>
Sunday	6:00-7:30 PM	18 & Up	Oct 6- Nov 17
Sunday	7:30-9:00 PM	18 & Up	Oct 6- Nov 17

Fee paid at door PER SESSION:

\$3.00 residents with ID
\$5.00 non-residents

Residents must have identification available when arriving.

OPEN VOLLEYBALL ~ Adult

Location: St. John's Gym, 2525 W. Oakwood Rd.

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>AGE(S)</u>	<u>BEGINS / ENDS</u>
Thursday	6:30-8:30 PM	18 & Up	Oct 3- Nov 21

Fee paid at door per session:

\$3.00 residents with ID
\$5.00 non-residents

Residents must have identification available when arriving.



JOIN OUR REC E-MAIL LISTS!

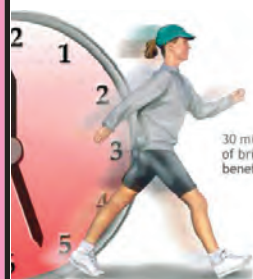
Sign up to get up-to-the-minute class and activity announcements. Would you like registration reminders? Do you want to be the first to know when the "Acorn" is online?

Join our mailing list by using the below QR code with your smart phone or go to our website at the link below and fill out the email list form. We do not share or sell your email information.

<http://www.oakcreekwi.org/rec/signup.htm>



FITNESS WALKING



30 minutes of brisk walking benefits health

Walk indoors in comfort at the Oak Creek High School without having to bundle up for those chilly fall days!

We're Sorry:

The Oak Creek High School Pool is under construction.



Information will be distributed when swimming dates/times are available.



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CITY PHONE DIRECTORY

Assessor	768-6506
City Clerk	768-6500
TDD Telephone	768-6513
EMERGENCY	911
Engineering	768-6541
Fire (non-emergency)	570-5630
General Information	768-6500
Health	768-6525
Inspection	768-6547
Library	764-4400
Personnel	768-6591
Planning (Community Development)	768-6527
Police General Information	762-8200
Open Records Requests	766-7658
Municipal Court	766-7621
Community Resource Bureau	766-7624
Crime Stoppers	766-7699
Recreation	768-6515
24 hr. Activity Tape	299-9721
Press 1 General Info.	
Press 2 Team Sports Info	
Fax	768-6518
Forever Young Club (50+)	768-5850
Streets, Parks & Forestry	768-6552
Forestry	768-5861
Recycling/Rubbish	768-6552
Treasurer	768-6501
Water & Sewer Utility	570-8210

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Steve Scaffidi	335-6330
Alderpersons:	
District 1: Steve Kurkowski	336-0125
District 2: Daniel Bukiewicz	762-2583
District 3: James Ruetz	571-6969
District 4: Mike Toman	762-9009
District 5: Ken Gehl	570-0801
District 6: Tom Michalski	745-1558

UTILITY DIRECTORY

Water Utility	570-8210
Emergency	768-7060
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



**Winter/Spring 2014 "Acorn" will
be online approximately
mid-December**



Oak Creek Historical Society
"Pioneer Village" Corner of 15th Ave & Forest Hill
website:
<http://ochistorial.freeservers.com>