

# OAKDALE UPDATE

SPRING - 2017



**RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS & EVENTS  
CITY NEWS & INFORMATION**

# CITY COUNCIL AND ADVISORY COMMISSIONS

**CITY COUNCIL** meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 pm, at Oakdale City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue. Questions? Please call 730-2704.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION** meets the 1st Wednesday of the month (except January, April, July, or October) at 5:15 pm at Oakdale City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue. Questions? Please call 651-730-2721. (Meetings are not available for viewing).

**ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION** meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7 pm at Oakdale City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue. Questions? Please call 651-730-2723.

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION** meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month (except December or January) at 7 pm, at Oakdale City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue. Questions? Please call 651-747-3867.

**PLANNING COMMISSION** meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 7 pm at the Oakdale City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue. Questions? Please call 651-730-2720.

*Watch meetings live on Channel 16 and watch rebroadcasts of meetings at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us)*

*Interested in serving on an Oakdale Advisory Commission? Simply submit an application! No experience needed. The only requirement is an interest in serving your community! Applications at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us) or by calling 651-730-2704*

## REINKE SWORN IN AS MAYOR



On December 13, Councilmember Paul Reinke was appointed and sworn in as Oakdale's newest mayor. He will fill the vacancy created when Mayor Karwoski was elected to the Washington County Board until a successor is elected at a special election (date TBD). Congratulations, Mayor Reinke!

Kristen Cici and Kevin Zabel also took their Oath of Office on January 10. Cici has served on the City Council since 2014 and it is Zabel's first term.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Mayor Paul Reinke.....	651-773-1104
Councilmember Kristen Cici.....	651-353-2085
Councilmember Lori Pulkabek.....	651-702-6355
Councilmember Bill Rasmussen.....	651-731-1676
Councilmember Kevin Zabel.....	612-227-1186

### **City Hall - Main.....** **651-739-5086**

Administrator.....	651-730-2705
Assessments.....	651-501-5309
Assessor.....	651-702-5231
Attorney, Prosecuting.....	651-730-2826
Building Inspections.....	651-739-5150
Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley.....	651-747-3860
Development/Planning/Redevelopment.....	651-730-2720
Editor, Oakdale Update.....	651-730-2704
Engineering.....	651-730-2734
Environmental Center (Woodbury).....	651-430-6655
Fire Department, Headquarters, 5000 Hadley.....	651-731-8886
Forester/Tree Inspector.....	651-501-5302
Garden Club.....	651-702-9017
Housing.....	651-730-2721
Library, 1010 Heron.....	651-730-0504
Licensing (Liquor, tobacco, massage, tree service, etc.).....	651-730-2739
Oakdale Athletic Association.....	<a href="http://www.oaaonline.com">www.oaaonline.com</a>
Oakdale Adult Softball Association.....	651-731-6850
Oakdale Area Chamber of Commerce.....	651-578-7769
Post Office, 1175 Gershwin.....	651-735-8030
Property Maintenance / Code Enforcement.....	651-702-5225
Public Works, 1900 Hadley.....	651-730-2740
Recreation Department, 4444 Hadley.....	651-747-3860
Recycling and Environmental Inquiries.....	651-730-2723
School District #622.....	651-748-7560
Summerfest.....	651-730-2722
Tartan Ice Arena, west of Tartan High.....	651-714-9251
Utility Billing.....	651-730-2716
Washington County Government Center.....	651-430-6000
Web Page.....	<a href="http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us">www.ci.oakdale.mn.us</a>
Webmaster.....	651-730-2704

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## HOURS AND ADDRESSES

City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue	8 am to 4:30 pm
Building Inspection - Regular Hours:	8 am to 4:30 pm
Building Inspections	
Extended Hours (May thru Sept.)	7 am to 4:30 pm
Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue	
Monday - Friday	8 am to 4:30 pm
Thursday	8 am to 8 pm
Saturday	12 to 4 pm
Sunday	1 to 4 pm
Fire Station Headquarters, 5000 Hadley Avenue	8 am to 4:30 pm
Recreation, 4444 Hadley Avenue	8 am to 4:30 pm
Police Department Offices, 1584 Hadley Avenue	8 am to 4:30 pm
Public Works, 1900 Hadley Avenue	7 am to 3:30 pm

## OAKDALE MAIN WEB PAGE

[www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us)

## OAKDALE RECREATION WEB PAGE

[www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com)



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# RESIDENT RESOURCE: Important Stuff to Know

**BACKYARD (RECREATIONAL) FIRES** are allowed when:

- The base of the fire does not exceed three feet in diameter
- Flames do not exceed two feet in height
- Fire is contained in a fire ring of noncombustible material
- Fire ring is located at least 25' from any structure
- Water source is in close proximity
- Fire is attended until extinguished
- Burning only clean, dry wood; not treated lumber, leaves, trash, furniture, etc.
- Fire does not produce smoke that causes discomfort or a negative impact to neighboring properties.

**BEYOND THE YELLOW RIBBON.** As a Yellow Ribbon City, Oakdale assists members of the military and their families with errands to home maintenance. To learn more, please call Marc Cove at 651-332-5222.

**BRUSH DISPOSAL.** From mid-April to October, for a nominal fee, you may take branches and brush, under 8" in diameter, to Oakdale Public Works, 1900 Hadley, Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 3 pm. Please call 651-730-2740 for rates.

**CODE RED.** Washington County's "Code Red" emergency notification system allows for automated messages to be sent to the entire county, select cities, or to designated areas or neighborhoods within minutes. To register, select the Code Red link at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us).

**DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSPORTATION.** Transit Link offers transportation and is intended to serve areas where regular transit route service is not available. Transit Link is available from 6 am to 7 pm, Monday to Friday. To reserve a ride, please call 651-602-5465 up to five business days in advance.

**FREE CABLE** (Oakdale residents can get channels 6, 14, 15, 16 (local government access), 20, 95, and 98 at no cost). Call 651-747-3801 and ask for the free "Universal Coverage Channels".

**GARAGE SALES.** Each property may have a total of three garage sales per year; with each sale running no more than four days. This includes participation in the citywide sales.

**GARAGE SALES - CITYWIDE: May 4, 5, 6.** Register by calling 651-739-5086 or completing the form at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us)

**HEATING BILL HELP.** Need assistance with your heating bills? Check out the programs offered at [www.caprw.org/community-action-services/energy-assistance](http://www.caprw.org/community-action-services/energy-assistance).

**HOUSE NUMBERS.** Time is of the essence when emergency personnel are searching for your home or business. That is why exterior address numbers need to be visible from the street, a minimum of 4" in height, and located near the primary entrance.

**HYDRANT FLUSHING.** Each spring, Public Works crews flush out the fire hydrants in the city to remove sediment. During this process, there could be a slight drop in pressure and water from your faucet may be discolored for a brief period.

**IRRIGATION SYSTEM TIPS FOR HOMES AND BUSINESSES.** Irrigate only when necessary; one inch of water per week, including rainfall, is all that's needed to maintain a healthy lawn. Turn off your system's automatic setting and irrigate only when the grass needs water. Contact your irrigation contractor to discuss water saving options and newer technologies. Finally, inspect your system for defective or missing sprinkler heads to ensure that water is reaching all designated zones.

**LOAD LIMITS.** During the spring thaw, streets are weakened by water trapped below the pavement. Weight restrictions are implemented to help minimize wear and to allow the base time to stabilize. During this time, please advise contractors and delivery providers to comply with posted load limits for city streets.

**MAILBOXES.** Mailboxes need to be installed as follows: minimum height of the mailbox (not the post) needs to be at least 45" from the gutter channel. The face of the mailbox should not extend beyond the back edge of the curb.

**MAIL DELIVERY.** Take care not to park within 10 feet of either side of any mailbox between the hours of 8 am and 6 pm, Monday through Saturday.

**MAPLEWOOD/OAKDALE LIONS CLUB.** Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of each month, 7 pm, Oakdale City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue. [www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/maplewoodoakdale/index.php](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/maplewoodoakdale/index.php)

**OAKDALE GARDEN CLUB.** To join the Oakdale Garden Club, call Michelle at 651-702-9017.

**OAKDALE UPDATE CABLE SHOW.** Host Frank Orsello offers a wide variety of interesting guests and topics about our community on Channel 16. Watch shows on Channel 16 and on the city's Facebook page.

**PROPERTY COMPLAINTS.** Have a concern with or complaint about a neighboring property? Call 651-702-5225. Please note that you need to live within 200' of the subject property -- or be able to see it from your property. All complaints are anonymous.

**PROPERTY VALUATION MEETING.** If you have a concern with the value of your property, the process for having it reviewed is to attend the Washington County Property Valuation Meeting on April 12 at City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue, from 5 to 7 pm. Questions? Please call the assessor at 651-702-5231.

**RECREATIONAL VEHICLES.** Throughout the year, each property is allowed to keep one recreational vehicle outside: in the side or rear yard (at least 5' from property line) or on the driveway (snowmobiles from November 1 to April 30; other vehicles from May 1 to November 1). Having more recreational vehicles is fine provided only one is outside. Questions? Please call 651-702-5225.

**SUMP PUMPS - PLEASE ROUTE OUT!** The flow that enters the sanitary sewer system through toilets, wash tubs, and floor drains is sent to the treatment plant in Saint Paul. The flow is metered and Oakdale is charged accordingly. The city, and in turn, our utility customers, pay for additional flow. If you use a sump pump, please note that it is illegal to discharge sump pumps into the sewer system. Route discharge outside to your yard, the street, the storm sewer, or waterway. If your sump pump needs to discharge into the sewer system, even temporarily, please call 651-730-2710 to make arrangements.

**VETERAN'S MEMORIAL.** The Oakdale Veteran's Memorial is located at 1584 Hadley and honors each branch of the military. Order an engraved paver for any person who has served or is currently serving in the military. Oakdale residency is not required. Cost per paver: \$100.

**WINTER PARKING.** Winter parking guidelines remain in place until April 1 -- no matter how much, or how little, snow falls. During this time, vehicles cannot park on city streets from 12 to 5 am each day. Also, any time there is an accumulated snowfall of 2" or more, parked vehicles need to remain off city streets until the full width of the roadway has been plowed.

# UTILITY RATES: Effective April 1 2017

## RESIDENTIAL (billed quarterly)

Water Base Charge:  
\$9.00/quarter  
Usage-\$1.82 per 1,000 gallons for the first 35,000 gallons used per quarter  
Usage-\$2.00 per 1,000 gallons for the next 15,000 gallons used per quarter  
Usage-\$2.15 per 1,000 gallons for the remaining gallons used per quarter

## Sewer Base Charge:

\$18 per quarter  
Sewer: \$3.50 per 1,000 gallons, minimum of 12,000 gallons  
Street Light: \$11 per quarter: single-family  
Street Light: \$7 per quarter: duplex  
Street Light: \$6 per quarter: multiple dwelling  
Storm Sewer: \$6.50 per quarter: single-family  
Storm Sewer: \$5.85 per quarter: duplex  
Storm Sewer: \$5.50 per quarter: multiple dwelling

## APARTMENTS (billed monthly)

Base Charge \$3.00 per month, per unit  
Usage-\$1.82 per 1,000 gallons for the first 12,000 gallons used per quarter  
Usage-\$2.00 per 1,000 gallons for the next 5,000 gallons used per quarter  
Usage-\$2.15 per 1,000 gallons for the remaining gallons used per quarter  
Sewer Base Charge: \$6.00 per month per unit  
Sewer Usage: \$3.50 per 1,000 gallons, minimum of 4,000 per month, per unit  
Street Light: Based on total lineal feet  
Storm Sewer: Based on total runoff

## COMMERCIAL (billed monthly)

Base Charge \$3.00 per month for every 10,000 gallons used  
Usage-\$1.82 per 1,000 gallons for first 12,000 gallons used per quarter  
Usage-\$2.00 per 1,000 gallons for next 5,000 gallons used per quarter  
Usage-\$2.15 per 5,000 gallons for remaining gallons used per quarter  
Usage - \$2.46 per 1,000 gallons for remaining gallons used per month  
Sewer Base Charge: \$6.00 per month per unit for every 10,000 used gallons or \$6 minimum if under 10,000 gallons used, per unit  
Sewer: \$3.50 per 1,000 gallons, minimum usage of 5,000 gallons per month  
Street Light: Based on total lineal feet  
Storm Sewer: Based on total runoff

## UTILITY BILL PAYMENT OPTIONS

**Auto Bank Payments.** Have utility bills automatically deducted from your bank account on the bill's due date each billing cycle by completing the "Automatic Utility Payment Application" provided on the Utility Billing page at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us). Please mail completed form to the Finance Department, 1584 Hadley Avenue, Oakdale, MN 55128.

**Drop Box.** Payments made by check or credit card can be placed in the drive-up drop box located in the City Hall parking lot. Please place your payment, along with the stub from your utility bill, in a sealed envelope before depositing into the drop box.

**Mail.** Mail your check and the stub from your utility bill. Or, fill out the section for a credit card payment on your utility bill stub and mail to the Finance Department, 1584 Hadley Avenue, Oakdale, MN 55128.

**Pay In Person.** Bring cash, a check or credit card to the first floor counter at City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue, Monday-Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm.

**Pay by Phone with Credit Card.** Call 651-730-2716 or 1-877-885-7968 to provide your credit card information during regular business hours (Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm). No fee is applied for credit card payments.

**On-line Payments** Go to [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us), click on "Utility Bills & Other Payments" button. Select "Pay Utility Bill", which will take you to the PSN site to register or sign-in and make a payment. You can also select the "View Utility Bill" button and register or sign-in to view bills. Registered utility customers will receive an email each time a bill is ready. Then you can choose to pay online, mail in a payment, call in a credit card number, or stop at City Hall.

**Pay on Mobile Device.** Download "PSN Payments" from App Store or Google Play. (Register online before using app).

**Senior or Disabled Person Discounts** are available for qualified individuals with a total annual household income of \$48,500 or less. There are no base charges, the sewer charge is for actual usage during the winter quarter. Seniors must be 62 or older and the primary resident at the service address. Please call 651-730-2716 for more information.

## WATER SAVING TIPS

 Mulch plants to help them retain water	 Use a rain barrel to gather rainwater	 Soak pots and pans rather than letting water run	 Compost rather than use garbage disposal
 Turn off the water while washing your hands	 Wash clothes in cold water	 Join a community pool rather than installing one	 Limit showers to 5 minutes
 Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth	 Use a refillable water bottle rather than multiple drinking glasses each day	 Wash fruits and vegetables over a pan to collect water	 Fix leaks as soon as they are discovered
 Take a shower rather than a bath	 Cook food in as little water as possible	 Run your dishwasher only when full	 Don't let the water run while shaving
Collect running water while waiting for it to heat up and use on plants or lawn	 Scrape dishes rather than rinsing before washing	 Add a nozzle to your hose to control flow	 Install a low flow shower head

# OAKDALE'S ANIMALS

**CHICKENS.** Interested in owning chickens? Please talk to the Police Department about obtaining a Special Use Permit.

**DEER.** Deer are beautiful, wild animals, but deer and developed areas can spell t-r-o-u-b-l-e. Deer can wreak havoc on gardens, landscaping plants, and trees and shrubs. As such, feeding deer is not permitted and creates community-wide problems necessitating in the reduction of the population.

**FEEDING WILDLIFE AND WATER FOWL.** Please remember that the feeding of wildlife and water fowl is not allowed. Bird feeders are allowed but they need to be least five feet above the ground or structure.

**GEASE.** Every year, the city receives numerous complaints about Canadian Geese and their droppings. As such, feeding geese is not permitted. View the city's new "Goose Management Plan" at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us) or call 651-730-2704 to request a copy.

**LEASHES.** When dogs and cats leave their premises, they need to be leashed or under other physical control. Also, dogs need to be leashed when in city parks, especially in the Oakdale Nature Preserve, and on other public land.

**LICENSES.** Several times a year, lost pets are picked up by the police department. Lucky pets are wearing their city-issued license and their owners are easily contacted. The unlucky ones go to the local shelter where they wait for their family to claim them. Even house pets can wander away and wearing a license may be their only form of communication. In Oakdale, each dog or cat over six months of age needs to possess a current city-issued license. Licenses are available at 1584 Hadley Avenue, during regular business hours (present a certificate of current rabies vaccination) or at the annual vaccination clinic. City-issued licenses expire March 31.

**NUISANCES.** Animals which "run at large" may be impounded by the Police Department whether they are licensed or not. It's important to remember that not everyone enjoys the company of pets - even some other pets. Please take care so that your pet(s) does not disturb others or their property.

**NUMBER OF PETS.** Pet owners with more than three of any single type of domestic animal, over three months old, need to obtain a Special Use Permit from the Oakdale Police Department.

**RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC.** Each year, the city tries to offer a cost-effective way for owners to vaccinate their pets. Plans are being formulated for this year's clinic. Details forthcoming on the city's web page and Facebook.

**SANITATION.** Pet owners need to remove and properly dispose of pet droppings from their yard on a regular basis. Also, taking your pet off your property, be sure to have something with you to pick up excrement and disposing of it in a trash receptacle. You will find Mutt Mitt dispensers in parks for your convenience.

**WILD OR EXOTIC ANIMALS.** Interested in owning wild or exotic animals? Please talk to the Oakdale Police Department to learn which animals are allowed by first obtaining a Special Use Permit.

**Dog Park Proposal** – In early 2017, the city will be taking a closer look at creating an off-leash dog park at city-owned property on 50th Street, east of I-694. Want to weigh in? Email: [brian.bachmeier@ci.oakdale.mn.us](mailto:brian.bachmeier@ci.oakdale.mn.us)

# OAKDALE, SAY "CHEESE"!

The city is looking for photos taken in Oakdale to use on the city's website, on social media, in the *Oakdale Update* newsletter, and in other publications. Subjects can include: events, nature, parks, trails, streetscapes, season, animals, people, and more! Can you help us out?

Photos must be taken in Oakdale, submitted photos become the property of the City of Oakdale, and photos that contain a recognizable person at a non-public event must be accompanied by a signed release form.

Please post photos any time throughout the year in the Map Gallery at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us), and thank you for helping us show what makes Oakdale "Oakdale"!



## GATEWAY CORRIDOR (BRT) NEWS

The Gold Line will progress in the planning phase following recent approvals from Oakdale and Woodbury of the proposed bus rapid transit (BRT) route. The cities passed resolutions supporting an alternate route developed after Lake Elmo opted out of the project.

The project, identified as the Gold Line, will now move to the engineering phase, which will include detailed analysis on the route, environmental impacts, and the next round of public meetings. In about two years' time, cities the Gold Line passes through will again vote on whether they support the project.

The Gold Line, an all day transit service, will run in both directions from Union Depot in Saint Paul, through the city's east side, Maplewood, Landfall, and Oakdale, and terminate at Woodbury Village. It will stop at multiple locations and include connections to the regional transit system. It is anticipated that the Gold Line could be operational by 2023.

For more information on the Gold Line, please go to [www.thegatewaycorridor.com](http://www.thegatewaycorridor.com). At the "Get Involved" button, you can sign up to receive updates, submit a request for a presentation to be made to your organization, review "Frequently Asked Questions", and submit your own questions.

**Oakdale Garden Club**

**Plant Sale**

June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017 / 9am - 1pm  
Corner of Granada Ave and Stillwater Blvd, Oakdale

Perennials, Natives, Vegetables, Houseplants  
Misc garden items

No early sales

# OAKDALE FAES WELL IN COMMUNITY SURVEY

Four hundred Oakdale residents gave of their time last fall to provide input about how the city is performing overall, what is being done right, and where there are possible areas for improvement. The result? The majority of residents are satisfied with the job the city is doing!

The city got high marks in public safety (police, fire, rescue, ambulance), neighborhood appearance and upkeep, snow plowing, recreation programs and recreational amenities, parks upkeep and maintenance, and customer service. (This means 80 to 97 percent of the residents surveyed were satisfied, depending on the area under discussion.)

The survey identified a few areas of improvement: property taxes, crime, growth, and the local job market. Jason Foutz, assistant city administrator, said city staff are processing the survey results. "Our priority will be to continually address areas where improvement is needed. For instance, currently, we are always looking at ways to keep taxes low, and the Police Department keeps on top of any crime issues." He noted that 95 percent of survey respondents said the police department was doing a good job.

Foutz also said that although there isn't much space left in Oakdale to be developed, the community can be assured any new development will be managed well.

Finally, about 70 percent of the participants said they believed their opinion mattered.

If you did not participate in the survey but would like to express your views, you may contact one of your city council members or a city staffer. (Telephone phone numbers are listed in the front of this newsletter). If you would like to learn more about the survey or get a copy of the results, please call Foutz at 651-730-2722.

## VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Randy Bastyr was selected as Oakdale's "Volunteer of the Year" for 2016. A former veteran and a commander at the local American Legion, Bastyr also taught gun safety and snowmobile safety classes to many youth in the community. He served as co-chairperson for the annual Summerfest celebration for many years, and more recently, was a driving force behind the creation of the Oakdale Veteran's Memorial and the Ted Bearn memorial recently dedicated at Tanners Park. Congratulations, Randy!



## 2017 BUDGET SUMMARY

One of the city's primary goals is maintaining a very conservative budget while continuing to provide a high-level of service. Provided below is a summary of the city's revenue and expenditure projections for 2017. Any time you have questions or would like additional information about the city's budget, please call the Finance Director at 651-730-2714.

### EXPENDITURES

General Government	\$1,376,393
Finance and Insurance	1,002,596
Planning and Development	510,251
Public Works	3,217,552
Public Safety (police/fire)	6,295,707
Recreation	110,708
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,513,207</b>

### REVENUE

Property Taxes	\$8,412,400
Licenses and Permits	666,800
Intergovernmental	704,500
Charges for Services	64,500
Charges-Utility Funds	1,010,000
Charges-Police Services	20,000
Fines and Forfeits	135,000
Interest Earnings	100,000
Rents	150,000
Transfers-Antenna	250,000
Transfers from Cable / Other	300,000
Utility Franchise	450,000
Severance Reserve	55,000
Administrative Fees	60,000
Other Revenue	120,500
Developer Payments	15,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,513,700</b>

### ENTERPRISE FUNDS

	REVENUE	EXPENDITURE
Water Utility	\$2,252,026	\$2,106,854
Other Revenue	50,000	960,000
Sewer Utility	3,550,319	3,545,806
Other Revenue	40,000	840,000
Street Light Utility	432,500	324,107
Street Light Depreciation		218,000
Ambulance	1,012,500	973,508
Ambulance Depreciation		35,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,337,345</b>	<b>\$8,750,275</b>

### SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

	REVENUE	EXPENDITURE
Communications	\$415,000	\$398,470
Char Gambling	30,000	32,500
Forfeit Proceeds	25,500	20,000
Neighborhoods	225,250	35,000
Open Space	26,500	-0-
Park Capital	206,500	365,000
Recreation	296,100	295,590
Seed Fund	57,000	31,750
Summerfest	25,000	28,000
Surface Water Mgmt	400,000	362,781
Utility Reserve	600,000	-0-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,306,850</b>	<b>\$1,569,091</b>

*"The Edge" monthly online newsletter offers news from the city's Community Development staff related to development, the environment, and more. Find current issues at the Community Development button at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us)*



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spring 2017



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**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Fax Number.....651-747-3861  
Park Maintenance.....651-730-2740

**RECREATION  
DEPARTMENT  
ADDRESS** 4444 Hadley Avenue North  
Oakdale, MN 55128

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT HOURS**

Monday to Friday  
8 am to 4:30 pm

**DISCOVERY CENTER HOURS**

Monday / Tuesday / Wednesday / Friday:  
8 am to 4:30 pm  
Thursday: 8 am to 8 pm  
Saturday: 12 to 4 pm  
Sunday: 1 to 4 pm

**RECREATION STAFF**

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Recreation Coordinator  
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Administrative Assistant  
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**OAKDALE RECREATION WEB PAGE:**  
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Recreation Facebook"*

**BOOK & DVD EXCHANGE**

Bring gently used books and DVD movies to the Discovery Center and swap them for something new. Books must be in good, readable condition, with the cover intact. Movies must be fully operable and in their original case. An even exchange: books for books and DVDs for DVDs.

**EARLY  
REGISTRATION  
SUMMER  
RECREATION PROGRAMS**  
4444 Hadley Avenue  
Thursday, April 27  
8 am to 4:30 pm

Summer program information will be delivered to area schools and available online at [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com) in early April.

*Register online, with no extra fees,  
at [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com)*

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## **DISCOVERY BACKPACKS**

Stop by the Discovery Center and check out one of our Discovery Backpacks -- at no cost! Inside the pack you will find everything needed for a fun exploration into the Oakdale Nature Preserve. Locate animal tracks. Identify flowers and trees. Use binoculars to watch some of the 162 birds that inhabit the preserve or to catch a glimpse of the deer, fox, and raccoons that call the Nature Preserve home. Packs even include a GPS! You'll be surprised at all that this beautiful, 250 acre park has for you to discover!

## **GEOCACHING**

Do you like exploring the outdoors? Have you tried the fun and exciting hobby of geocaching? Geocaching is a high-tech treasure hunt using GPS units to locate hidden caches (*psst, there are 15 caches in Oakdale's park system*). The Discovery Center has a list of caches and coordinates as well as hand-held GPS units available to check out, at no cost, simply present your photo I.D.

## **NORDIC WALKING POLES**

Nordic Walking Poles resemble ski poles and are used to involve the upper extremities in the walking exercise. The poles are equipped with rubber caps for use on pavement while reducing the impact of the hard surface. Nordic walking is an exercise form with many advantages, both for the healthy individual needing a more vigorous exercise form, especially for cardiovascular benefits, and for an individual with restrictions from a medical condition that precludes jogging or running. It can also be advantageous for those with medical conditions of arthritic or neurological origin that make normal walking without support difficult. Adult and youth sizes available. Stop by the Discovery Center, present a photo I.D. and walk away!



## **SCAVENGER HUNT**

### **Win Prizes!**

Pick up the Scavenger Hunt Guide (available April 1) at the Discovery Center and then head out into the wild for a scavenger hunt! Prizes will be given to those who find items listed in the guide! (Prizes are age 12 and under appropriate).

## **TANDEM BICYCLES**

(Available early April, weather permitting)

Two tandem bikes are available for use at the Discovery Center so bring a date, significant other, family member, or friend to the Discovery Center during regular hours of operation and check one out! Simply present your photo I.D. and you'll be on your way!



The Discovery Center is nestled in the picturesque Oakdale Nature Preserve at 4444 Hadley Avenue. The award-winning facility provides visitors a quiet place of reflection, a unique education experience, and a wide variety of fun and excitement! Visit to take in the rotating art exhibits, aquarium, "hands-on" wildlife exhibit room, art gallery, and to relax by the fireplace. There's also a historic one-room schoolhouse and plenty of trails to explore! (Please refer to Discovery Center Hours on opposite page).

*Looking for the "natural" setting for your next function? Discover the community room at the Discovery Center for weddings, receptions, parties, training sessions, and more. Please call 651-747-3860 or go to: [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com).*

## **ART GALLERY**

The art gallery at the Discovery Center has a tradition of showcasing the creations of dozens of local artists and artisans, featuring a different artist each month. For gallery hours, please refer to Discovery Center Hours on opposite page.

### **FEATURED ARTISTS:**

January	Mark Cosimini	Oil and Acrylic
February	Betty Bryan	Photography
March	Maribeth Gedatus	Photography
April	Randy Roff	Pencil Drawings
May	Painting Pals	Paintings

*Your artwork could be displayed at the Discovery Center. Our small gallery offers an opportunity to showcase your artistic talent and strengthen the community through the appreciation of the arts. If you would like to display your artwork, please call 651-747-3860 for information on submitting a request.*

## ROAD TRIP

### “The Church Basement Ladies: Rise Up, O Men”

### Plymouth Playhouse

### Wednesday, March 8

*YOU KNOW THE LADIES,  
NOW MEET THE MEN!*

Sixth in the Church Basement Ladies series, “Rise Up, O Men” is a brand new musical comedy featuring the men of the church and your favorite church basement ladies who serve them. As these hard-working farmers discuss their scrap lumber piles and benefits of weld vs. solder, they unintentionally disrupt the order of the kitchen. But that’s what happens when you let the rooster in the hen house!

A traditional church luncheon will be served, at the Plymouth Playhouse, before the show. Enjoy Tator Tot Hot Dish, macaroni and cheese, salad, Jell-O, and bars.

Depart: 11 am Walton Park Band Shell Parking Lot  
 Return: Approximately 4:15 pm  
 Cost: \$67 per person. Includes transportation, lunch and show  
 Activity Level: Easy

*Please register by February 16*

*Please indicate with whom you would like to sit with at the theater on your registration form.*

### ROAD TRIP REMINDER:

Please park in the west parking lot in Walton Park, off of 15th Street, next to the band shell.

## ROAD TRIP

### “Grease”

### Chanhassen Dinner Theatre

### Wednesday, April 26

Fancy a nostalgic evening full of greased-up hair, jukebox jingles and bobby-socks. The most popular, fun-filled musical in the history of Rock ‘n’ Roll is packed with explosive energy, vibrant 1950s pop culture, and the likes of unforgettable tunes: “Summer Nights,” “Look at Me, I’m Sandra Dee,” “We Go Together,” “Greased Lightnin’,” “Beauty School Dropout,” and other songs made popular in the beloved film: “Grease (Is The Word),” “Hopelessly Devoted to You” and “You’re the One That I Want.”

Join Sandy, Danny, those groovy T-Birds, sassy Pink Ladies and the whole gang at Rydell High for an affectionate satire of high school life in the '50s. It's a high-octane party that entertains from start to finish. Grease contains mature situations and language.

*Please choose your lunch entrée at the theater. Dessert is not included.*

Depart: 10:30 am Walton Park Band Shell Parking Lot  
 Return: Approximately 4:20 pm  
 Cost: \$94 per person.  
 Includes transportation, lunch, show, and tour guide  
 Activity Level: Easy

*Please register by March 24*

*Please indicate with whom you would like to sit with at the theater on your registration form.*

*Only 6 seats are available for those who cannot do steps. Please register early if you want one of the 6 seats; requests will be filled as registrations come in.*

## ROAD TRIP

### The Thrill of it All:

### US Bank Stadium Tour

### Tuesday, May 23

Don’t miss this fact-filled, 90-minute, guided adventure inside the new US Bank Stadium. A knowledgeable tour guide will provide a behind-the-scenes peek at the inner workings of the stadium. See premium clubs and suites, the Thomson Reuters Press Level, stadium art collection, team locker room, stadium floor, and much more. Learn about the buildings’ architecture, Vikings history, and sustainability features of the stadium. As time allows, get a close up view of the Legacy Ship and visit the gift shop. Lunch will follow at The Old Spaghetti Factory. *Please choose entrée when registering: Chicken Marsala, Pasta with meatballs and marinara, or Fettucine Alfredo.*

### Things to know about the tour:

- Date for this tour may change due to conflicts with events scheduled at the US Bank Stadium.
- Date and departure times will be confirmed April 1, 2017.
- You will be notified after April 1 if the date or departure time has changed.
- Tour group size is limited to 20 persons per group.
- This is an all walking tour (90 minutes+).

Depart: 9:15 am Walton Park Band Shell Parking Lot  
 Return: Approximately 2:15 pm  
 Cost: \$61 per person. Includes transportation, tour, tour director, and lunch.

Activity Level: Lots of walking and standing

*Please register by May 9*

**ROAD TRIP**  
**“Memories Art”**  
**Studio Memories Art**  
**Friday, May 12**

Studio Memories Art is an art studio unlike any other where you'll create a DIY project with wood and paint that you'll be proud to display on your wall! It's easy! It's fun! No experience necessary!

Enjoy a relaxed, fun atmosphere and let your creativity show while making your own unique, professional looking sign. First, choose the sign you want to create. Next, choose colors to create the sign that best suites your individual taste and style. Then, simply follow the simple step-by-step directions.

To make your experience even more enjoyable, snacks and beverages will be served. Afterward, we're off to lunch! (*Lunch cost is not included*).

Depart: 9 am Walton Park Band Shell Parking Lot  
 Return: Approximately 2:30 pm  
 Cost: \$62 per person.  
 Includes transportation, sign project with instructor and materials, snack and beverage, and tour director  
 Activity Level: Easy, fun, creative

*Please register by April 28  
 Space is limited!*

Please indicate on your registration form which of these signs you would like to make. If applicable, please provide the words to be used on your sign so it is ready for you to personalize upon arrival. Questions? Please call 763-767-9447.

**Memories Art (cont.):**  
**Select from these three designs:**

**1. Home Sweet Home**



**2. Daisies (choose your own words)**



**3. Grandkids Make Life Grand**



**WEDNESDAY CARDS  
 FOR SENIORS**

Come to the Discovery Center for a fun-filled afternoon of cards and conversation each week from 1 to 3 pm. No cost, no need to register; just come in, sit down, and play!

We supply the cards,  
 you pick the game.

*Complimentary Coffee!*

These athletic organizations operate independently from the Oakdale Recreation Department and they oversee and organize all aspects of their respective programs.

**Minnesota Women's Soccer**  
[www.mwsl.org](http://www.mwsl.org)

**North Stars Skate School**  
 Beginning, figure skating, hockey lessons. Three years to adult.  
 651-501-3667

**Oakdale Athletic Association (OAA)** Youth Sports: Volleyball, soccer, football, t-ball, baseball, basketball and lacrosse.  
[www.oaaonline.com](http://www.oaaonline.com)

**Oakdale Adult Softball Association (OASA)**  
 Men's, women's, co-rec softball leagues.  
[www.oasa.us](http://www.oasa.us)

**OMNI Otters Swim Team**  
 Ages 6 to 18+.  
[www.omniotters.com](http://www.omniotters.com)

**St. Paul–Ramsey County Horseshoe Club.**  
 Sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitches Association.  
[www.sprhorseshoeclub.weebly.com](http://www.sprhorseshoeclub.weebly.com)

**Tartan Area Hockey Association (TAYHA)**  
 Boys and girls K to 12.  
[www.tayha.org](http://www.tayha.org)

**Tartan Juniors Olympic Volleyball Program**  
 Girls ages 9 to 18.  
[www.tartanjuniorsvb.wixsite.com](http://www.tartanjuniorsvb.wixsite.com)

**Tartan Youth Wrestling**  
 Boys from K-8. Season runs November - April.  
 Practices held Mondays and Wednesdays at Tartan 612-965-6000.  
[edelacy@comcast.net](mailto:edelacy@comcast.net)

***Earn Rewards for Walking!***

The annual Community Walk program will kick off at the Discovery Center / Oakdale Nature Preserve (4444 Hadley Avenue) on April 1! The program gives Oakdale residents the opportunity to walk the beautiful, 250 acre Oakdale Nature Preserve, record miles, and win gift cards!

Prior to starting your first walk, stop in at the Discovery Center front desk to sign up. There's no cost to participate! This program is for Oakdale residents only; you will need to present an ID for proof of residency. The program is for all ages, so any children living with parents in Oakdale are eligible for rewards.

After each walk in the Nature Preserve, turn in your mileage to the Discovery Center front desk (after hours, use the drop box outside of the Discovery Center). Pedometers are available on request, at no charge. The Recreation staff will record your miles and keep track of them throughout the season. The Community Walk program will run until October 31.

The goal of this program is to get you outside and keep you active, but why not earn some rewards for your dedication! After reaching the 50 mile mark, stop by the Discovery Center, and pick-up a certificate to receive a free Community Walk t-shirt! Redeem the certificate at Big Frog Custom T-shirts in Woodbury.

You will also have the opportunity to earn gift cards for reaching certain mileage markers, with the ultimate goal of reaching 400 miles walked during the seven month program. Those who reach 400 miles will be able to choose a \$100 gift card for one of these four businesses: Target, Hy-Vee, Kwik Trip, and Fleet Farm.

More information can be found at [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com) or inside the Discovery Center.

The Discovery Center offers a wide variety of fun and educational nature programs for children ages 3 to 6 on Fridays throughout the year. Children participate in discussions, play games, watch DVDs, enjoy a snack, and create projects for each themed program. Curious Critters Club kids like to go outside, so please dress for the weather!

Time: 9:30 to 11 am  
Ages: 3 to 6 (children must be potty trained)  
Cost: \$7 per participant, per session  
Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

*Registration deadline is one week prior to start of each program*

***February 10: Snow Clues***

We'll read "In the Snow, Who's Been Here?", then head out to the Nature Preserve to discover animal tracks and other clues to see who's been out and about in the snow.

***February 24: A Nest is Noisy***

From a tiny hummingbird nest to an orangutan that nests high in the rainforest, from army ants to prairie dogs, they all call a nest home. We'll learn about how amazingly different all the nests are.

***March 10: Maple Magic***

Enjoy the sweet taste of spring! Learn about the process of making maple syrup. We'll even enjoy the tasty treat on ice cream!

***March 24: Beaks***

Beaks vary from bird to bird. Some use their beaks to help them eat, others use them to build nests. Join as we learn about the different varieties of beaks.

***April 7: Robins***

Robins are familiar birds and celebrated as one of the first signs of spring in Minnesota. We'll learn lots of little known facts of the beloved bird.

***April 28: Spring!***

Join us as we explore the Nature Preserve for signs of spring.

***May 12: Outside Your Window***

The tracks of a bird in the winter snow, the buzz of bees in summer time. The natural world just outside our window is waiting to be discovered!

***May 19: In The Pond***

Have you ever wondered what you can find in a pond? We'll follow the adventures of a little tadpole as he grows.



Legacy Dance Studio is family owned and has been operating in Oakdale since 1998. Their studio is located in Bergen Plaza.

Legacy Dance Studio's curriculum stresses ballet technique as the base for all dancers. The types of dance offered in addition to ballet are tap, jazz, lyrical, and hip hop. Legacy offers a variety of classes for recreational students ages 2 to 18, ranging from beginner to advanced. Each age class has a maximum number of students to allow an appropriate amount of one-on-one attention.



## Legacy Dance Studio

### Tots (18mon-2yr) Creative Movement/Tumbling

**\$32.00 monthly**

Monday 6:00-6:30pm  
Thursday 6:00-6:30pm  
Saturday 11:00-11:30am

### 3-4 1/2 yr old Tap & Ballet

**\$52.00 monthly**

Monday 6:30-7:30pm  
Wednesday 5:00-6:00pm  
Saturday 11:30-12:30pm

### 4 1/2 -5yr old Tap & Ballet

**\$52.00 monthly**

Monday 5:00-6:00pm  
Tuesday 5:30-6:30pm  
Wednesday 6:00-7:00pm  
Saturday 10:00-11:00am

### Int. 5-6yr old Tap & Ballet

**\$52.00 monthly**

Tuesday 6:30-7:30pm  
Thursday 5:00-6:00pm

### Beg. 6-8yr old Tap & Ballet

**\$52.00 monthly**

Wednesday 7:00-8:00pm  
Saturday 12:30-1:30pm

### Int. 6-8yr old Tap & Ballet

**\$52.00 monthly**

Thursday 6:30-7:30pm

### Int. 8-10yr old Tap, Jazz & Ballet

**\$63.00 monthly**

Monday 6:30-8:00pm  
Thursday 6:00-7:30pm

#### ALSO AVAILABLE!

- > Online Registration
- > Auto Pay

### Future Stars Tap, Jazz & Ballet

**\$84.00 monthly -pre competition**

Friday 6:30-8:30pm

### Beg. 9-12yr old Tap, Jazz & Ballet

**\$63.00 monthly**

Tuesday 7:00-8:30pm

### Int. 11-13yr old Tap, Jazz & Ballet

**\$63.00 monthly**

Thursday 7:30-9:00pm

### Teens 14+ yr old Tap, Jazz & Ballet

**\$63.00 monthly**

Monday 7:30-9:00pm

### All Stars Boys class 7-13yr old

**\$38.00 monthly**

Friday 7:00-8:00pm

### Dancing Dads

**January - June**

Friday 8:00-9:00pm

### Beg. Leaps & Turns

Tuesday 4:30-5:30pm

### Int. Leaps & Turns

Friday 4:30-5:30pm

### Adv. Leaps & Turns

Thursday 6:30-7:30pm

**www.legacydancestudio.com**

7157 - 10th Street North, Oakdale MN 55128

651-735-9216

info@legacydancestudio.com

www.legacydancestudio.com

## MAKIN' MAPLE SYRUP

Learn where maple syrup comes from and how to make it! Head out into the Oakdale Nature Preserve, tap a tree, and start the maple syrup process. Build your own ice cream sundaes will be included for all participants. All ages welcomed!\* Please dress for the weather.

Date: Saturday, March 25

Time: 1 to 3 pm

Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

Cost: \$5 per person

\*Participants under the age of 12 need to be accompanied by an adult.

*Please Register by March 20*



## INDOOR YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS

Learn basic fundamentals of tennis in this exciting class! Skills taught include grip, stance, swing and more in a fun and personal learning environment. We use USTA approved tennis equipment designed for youth tennis. If you have your own racquet, please bring it along each week. The Recreation Department has a few to loan each night. *Instructor: Dan Stumpf, Head Coach of North High School Girl's Tennis team and the Hill Murray Boy's Tennis team.*

Dates: Tuesdays, February 14 to March 28  
(7 sessions)

Time: Ages 4 to 7: 6 to 6:45 pm  
Ages 8 to 12: 7:15 to 8 pm

Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue  
Cost: \$35 per child

*Please register by February 7*

## SUNDAE BINGO

What could be better than ice cream sundaes and two hours of bingo!? Join us for this fun filled, Sunday afternoon event. Make your own sundae while shouting out BINGO! Prizes are awarded to winners of every game; every participant eligible for two game-winning prizes.

All participants will be eligible for the Grand Prize raffle drawing at the end of the event (must be present to win the raffle). All ages welcomed!



Date: Sunday, April 9

Time: 1 to 3 pm

Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

Cost: \$8 per person

*Please register by April 3*

## BEST SNOW SCULPTURE OF OAKDALE CONTEST!

Calling all imaginative minds! Get outside this winter and build your best snow sculpture for the "Best Snow Sculpture of Oakdale Contest". This year's theme is "Minnesota: Land of 10,000 Lakes". Your sculpture will be judged on appearance based on the theme.

Please submit entries (photo) to [Nathan@ci.oakdale.mn.us](mailto:Nathan@ci.oakdale.mn.us). The winner will be announced on the Recreation Department's website and Facebook page on April 5 and will receive a \$100 gift card to Marcus Theater! ***Entries need to be submitted by March 31.***





## SATURDAY GARDENING TOPICS

Call 651-747-3860 to reserve your spot!



### JUNIOR MASTER GARDENERS: SEED STARTING

Learn new techniques for growing your own flowers and vegetables from seed. Decorate a flower pot, select the seeds to plant, and then bring your plant home to watch it grow! For ages 12 and under.

Date: Saturday, April 1  
Time: 9 to 11 am  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

FREE!

### CONTAINER GARDENING

Container gardening is a good way to add a splash of color to your home, patio, or garden. Choosing the right container and plants can offer up season long interest as well as a little rest stop for pollinators.

Date: Saturday, April 22  
Time: 10 to 11 am  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

FREE!

### PERENNIALS FOR THE SHADE

A shade garden can be full of color and texture. Plant some shade tolerant perennials by that tree where it is shady and the grass won't grow.

Date: Saturday, May 13  
Time: 10 to 11 am  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

FREE!



### BIRDS: Name that Song for ages 10 and up

Did you know birders identify and locate birds by their song some 90% of the time? Ever hear a bird singing in the Oakdale Nature Preserve and wonder what it is? With some 162 bird species seen in the Preserve, come join us for a fun, educational walk as we learn the songs of several birds. Short classroom introduction followed by a 1 to 1.5 mile walk in the preserve. Resource materials provided including a bird check list to track what you see. *Jill Sadler has birded on all seven continents and is a former Minnesota Zoo World of Birds Trainer.*

Date: Monday, May 15 (ISD 622 non-school day)  
Time: 9 to 11 am  
Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue  
Cost: \$10 per person

*Please register by May 8*

Outdoor skating rinks are located throughout the city and offer general skating and hockey facilities. Rinks are scheduled to remain open until late February, weather permitting.\*

As a general rule, warming houses close:

- If the temperatures soften the ice enough for unsafe skating conditions. Estimated temperatures of 37 degrees or higher may cause rink closures.
- When actual temperature reaches -10 degrees or wind chill temperature reaches -25 degrees.
- If more than 3" of snow accumulates on the ice when maintenance crews are not available.

## MAINTAINED, LIGHTED, SUPERVISED RINKS, WITH WARMING HOUSES

**Northdale Park**  
50th Street and Granada Avenue

Hours:  
Monday - Friday 4 to 8 pm  
Saturdays 12 to 8 pm  
Sundays 12 to 7 pm  
January 16 (holiday) 1 to 8 pm  
February 20 (holiday) 1 to 8 pm

**Walton Park Hockey Rink**  
15th Street and Hadley Avenue

Hours:  
Monday - Friday 4 to 8 pm  
Saturdays 12 to 8 pm  
Sundays 12 to 7 pm  
January 16 (holiday) 1 to 8 pm  
February 20 (holiday) 1 to 8 pm

**Walton Park Pleasure Rink**  
15th Street and Hadley Avenue

Hours:  
Monday - Friday 4 to 8 pm  
Saturdays 12 to 8 pm  
Sundays 12 to 7 pm  
January 16 (holiday) 1 to 8 pm  
February 20 (holiday) 1 to 8 pm

*Ice Scooters are great tools for anyone learning the basics of skating and are available for use at the Walton Park Pleasure Rink at no charge.*

**FREE Hot Chocolate at the  
Walton Park Pleasure Rink  
Warming House!**

## MAINTAINED, LIGHTED, UNSUPERVISED RINKS, NO WARMING HOUSES

**Eastside Park**  
Helmo Avenue

**FREE!**

## FAMILY SKATING DAY

Bring the family to  
Tartan Arena for an  
afternoon of FREE skating  
and hot chocolate too!

Date: Saturday, March 11  
Time: 11 am to 1 pm  
Place: Tartan Arena  
740 Greenway Ave  
just behind Tartan  
High School

*Skates are not provided.  
No registration needed.  
Meet inside the arena before skating.*



**\*Rink Updates, Closures, and Map at [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com)  
or the Oakdale Recreation's Facebook page.**

## LEARN TO KAYAK

Join Wahoo! Adventures and other nature lovers at Silver Lake to learn how to paddle a kayak and how to get in and out of one. Get close to nature and learn how easy and relaxing kayaking can be! Double and single kayaks are available, life jackets provided. Wear shoes that can get wet and dress in layers. Youth must be at least 6 years of age.

Date: Saturday, May 13

Time: 9 to 10:30 am

Place: Silver Lake Beach  
Margaret St & 19th Ave E  
North St Paul  
Cost: \$19 per person

*Please register by May 5  
Limit of 15 participants*

## MOM'S DAY FAMILY KAYAK PADDLE

Treat mom to lunch and a paddle on Silver Lake for Mother's Day! This event is for everyone, so bring grandma, grandpa, the kids, or grandkids to learn to paddle a kayak and get up close to nature, feel a sense of adventure, or just relax and enjoy the day. Afterward enjoy a camp lunch and flowers for Mom. Camp lunch, beverages, single and double kayaks, and life jackets provided. Wear shoes that can get wet and dress in layers and bring chairs or blanket for lunch. Youth must be 6 years of age.

Date: Saturday, May 13

Time: 11 am to 1 pm

Cost: \$23 per person  
or \$70 for family of 4

Place: Silver Lake Beach  
Margaret St & 19th Ave E  
North St. Paul

*Please register by May 5  
Limit of 20 participants*

Kidcreate Studio launches children into the incredible world of art. Our energized classes offer an exciting format for art exploration. We focus on art creation and art education. Lesson plans, designed by an art education professional, are age appropriate and devised to inspire the individual child. Our teachers provide a positive, fun, self-esteem building atmosphere where children learn to express themselves through the visual arts. Parents can be assured their child is being educated in a supportive environment where giggles and grins are encouraged. More information at [www.kidcreatestudio.com](http://www.kidcreatestudio.com)

*Registration deadline is one week prior to start of each program*

## GOO FACTORY

### Ages 3 to 6

Let your child explore the messier side of art. We are going to roll up our sleeves and make a mess as we mix up a bunch of messy concoctions including silly putty and finger paint. Making a mess is the best, especially when you leave the mess with us! *Please bring along a nut-free snack and drink.*



When: Friday, February 17

Time: 9 am to noon

Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

Cost: \$32 per person

## MARVELOUS MESSY MONSTER ART

### Ages 3 to 6

We'll use plaster, paint, and more simply sloppy supplies to make a project that's way too messy to do at home! We'll become masters at making a mess, learn some pretty cool stuff – and have lots of fun as we create these messy monsters on a canvas board! *Please bring along a nut-free snack and drink.*

When: Friday, March 31

Time: 9 am to noon

Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

Cost: \$32 per person



## BEYOND POKÉMON ART CAMP

### Ages 5 to 12

Is your child going crazy for Pokémon Go? In this camp, your child will put their Pokémon Go skills to work as they create Pokémon inspired art. The kids will work with a variety of art materials as they make their own trading cards, Pokémon balls, a Pokémon-inspired creature and a map of its habitat! *Please bring along a nut-free snack and drink.*

When: Monday, March 13 and Tuesday, March 14

Time: 1 to 4 pm

Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

Cost: \$59 per person



SHOP  
LOCAL

## FARMERS MARKET

City Hall Parking Lot  
15th and Hadley  
WEDNESDAYS 2 to 6 pm  
June to early October

An array of fresh produce,  
baked goods, sweets, meats,  
coffee, and much more!

Garage  
SALE

## INDOOR GARAGE SALE

Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue  
SATURDAY, MARCH 11  
9 am to 1 pm *No Early Birds!*

Start the garage sale season  
early! Join us indoors to buy  
new and formerly new  
merchandise from 20+ sellers!

Rent two tables for \$20.  
Register by March 3!

## INDOOR MARKET

DISCOVERY CENTER  
4444 HADLEY AVENUE  
SATURDAYS 9 am to 1 pm  
January 21 February 4 & 18  
March 4 & 18

### VENDORS:

- **ANGELA'S LLC** • Sweet breads, bars, cookies
- **BANANA BOBS** • Banana bread, pre-packaged coffee/ banana chips
- **BARBARA DITTEL** • Homemade greeting cards
- **BEARWOODS SUGARBUSH** • Jellies, syrups
- **BEST CELLAR PICKLE** • Balsamic onion preserves, local beer shandy jelly, green bean basil pickles, spicy carrot pickles, mushroom jerky, granola crunch
- **BITMAD BAKERY** • Breads, cheddar buns, cinnamon rolls, granola, bread pudding, dog treats
- **BRAND FARMS** • Eggs, apple chips, honey
- **CINCOTTA FARMS** • Canned goods, holiday plant arrangements
- **CLARA'S COMFORT FOOD** • Sausage, horseradish, mustard
- **DROGO JOE'S COFFEE** • Organic coffee beans, ground coffee, brewed coffee
- **EITCHENS** • Cheese, cheese spreads, buffalo meat, horseradish, holiday gift boxes
- **EROC'S** • BBQ Sauce, salsa
- **JAMES BIERBRAUER** • Hand crafted birdhouses and feeders
- **JAN MALMBERG** • Women's appliqued sweatshirts; girls decorated denim jackets
- **KERRY'S DONUT BITES** • Donut bites (no 1/21, 2/18)
- **LUCY'S JEWELRY** • Jewelry
- **NATASHA'S PIEROGIS** • Frozen pierogi dumplings, ginger sauce, sage mushroom sauce, cabbage rolls, soup
- **PARKVIEW CHIROPRACTIC**
- **PLATENSE** • Traditional Argentinian frosted nuts: peanuts, cashews, almonds
- **RUHLAND'S STRUDEL** • Frozen, take-and-bake strudels, sweet & savory
- **SAVOR MORE LLC** • Gluten free and dairy free baking mixes, low sugar options • (no 1/21, 2/4, 2/18, 3/4)
- **SCHWARTZ FARMS** • Root veggies, onions, squash, cabbage • Until product runs out
- **USBORNE BOOKS** • Books
- **YOUNG LIVING ESSENTIAL OILS** • Essential oils and diffusers

## Employment Opportunities

### Class Instructors

Do you have expertise you would like to share with others? We accept instructor proposals throughout the year. Call Julie at 747-3867 or email at [julie.williams@ci.oakdale.mn.us](mailto:julie.williams@ci.oakdale.mn.us)

### Recreation Youth Program Instructors

Monday to Friday  
Morning and Afternoon Hours  
30 to 40 hours per week, \$9.50/hour

Leading, planning, and implementing a variety of recreation activities.  
Must be at least 16 years old.

*Applications / job descriptions at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us)  
Select "Employment" button*

## Volunteer Opportunities

### Park Clean Up

Help rid our parks of the debris and clutter that has accumulated over the winter months. Businesses, scout groups, schools, daycare centers and civic groups are encouraged to participate. Parks may be cleaned any time from April 24 to 28. Trash bags are provided and each participant will receive a thank you gift. To volunteer, please call 651-747-3860.

### Summerfest Parade

The Summerfest Grande Parade planning is underway. This year's parade will be held on Thursday, June 22. The parade coordinator is recruiting volunteers. Interested? Please call Laura at 651-747-3860.

Also, applications to be in the Summerfest parade are now available at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us) or by calling 651-747-3860.

## Picnic Shelter Rental

Picnic shelters are available at the following parks:  
Eastside, Eberle, Guthrie,  
Northdale, Oakfield, Tanners,  
Walton, and at the  
Oakdale Nature Preserve.

### FEE SCHEDULE

#### Residents:

Small Shelter Rental \$50\*  
Large Shelter Rental \$100\*  
Shelter & Kitchen \$225\*  
Security Deposit (kitchen) \$300  
Walton Park Package \$400\*

Includes:

Band shell  
Two Large Shelters  
Kitchen Facilities

#### Non-Residents:

Small Shelter Rental \$65\*  
Large Shelter Rental \$150\*  
Shelter / Kitchen \$250\*  
Security Deposit (Kitchen) \$300  
Walton Park Package \$550\*

Includes:

Band shell  
Two Large Shelters  
Kitchen Facilities

\* Subject to county and state taxes

**Call 651-747-3860 to inquire about availability**

## DOGS IN PARKS



### Leashes Required

For the enjoyment of all who walk, ride, or live in our parks, owners are reminded to hold onto their leashed dog at all times when visiting parks, *especially at the Oakdale Nature Preserve*, as per city code.

### Mutt Mitts Provided

For your convenience, Mutt Mitts dispensers are provided in Oakdale's parks to easily collect and dispose of dog waste. Left on the ground, dog waste is not only unsightly but it pollutes the water and poses health risks. Thank you!

## Snowmobile Regulations:

Things to remember when operating a snowmobile within the city limits:

You may not operate a snowmobile in any public park, on any public sidewalk, bikeway/pedway, or on school grounds. Snowmobiles are not allowed on public boulevards.

You may only operate a snowmobile during the hours of 9 am and 10 pm Sunday – Thursday, and 9 am and 1 am Friday, Sunday, and any evening preceding a holiday.

Copies of ordinances and statutes regulating snowmobiles, and trail maps are available at the Discovery Center, City Hall, and on the city's web site at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us), or by calling 651-747-3860.



# MYSTERY EGG HUNT!

THE CLEVER EASTER BUNNY HAS HIDDEN EGGS ALONG THE NEW TRAILS OF THE OAKDALE NATURE PRESERVE. WE NEED KIDS TO HELP FIND ONE AND THEN EXCHANGE IT FOR A VERY SPECIAL SURPRISE!

THE EASTER BUNNY ALSO HIDES TWO GOLDEN EGGS REDEEMABLE FOR EXTRA SPECIAL SURPRISES!

AFTER HUNTING FOR EGGS, ENJOY GAMES, REFRESHMENTS, CRAFTS, FACE PAINTING, PETTING ZOO, AND GREAT PRIZES! DON'T MISS THIS VERY POPULAR EVENT!

AGES: UP TO AGE 10  
DATE: SATURDAY, APRIL 15  
TIME: 9 TO 11 AM\*  
PLACE: DISCOVERY CENTER - 4444 HADLEY  
COST: \$11 PER PERSON (PARENTS ATTEND FOR FREE)

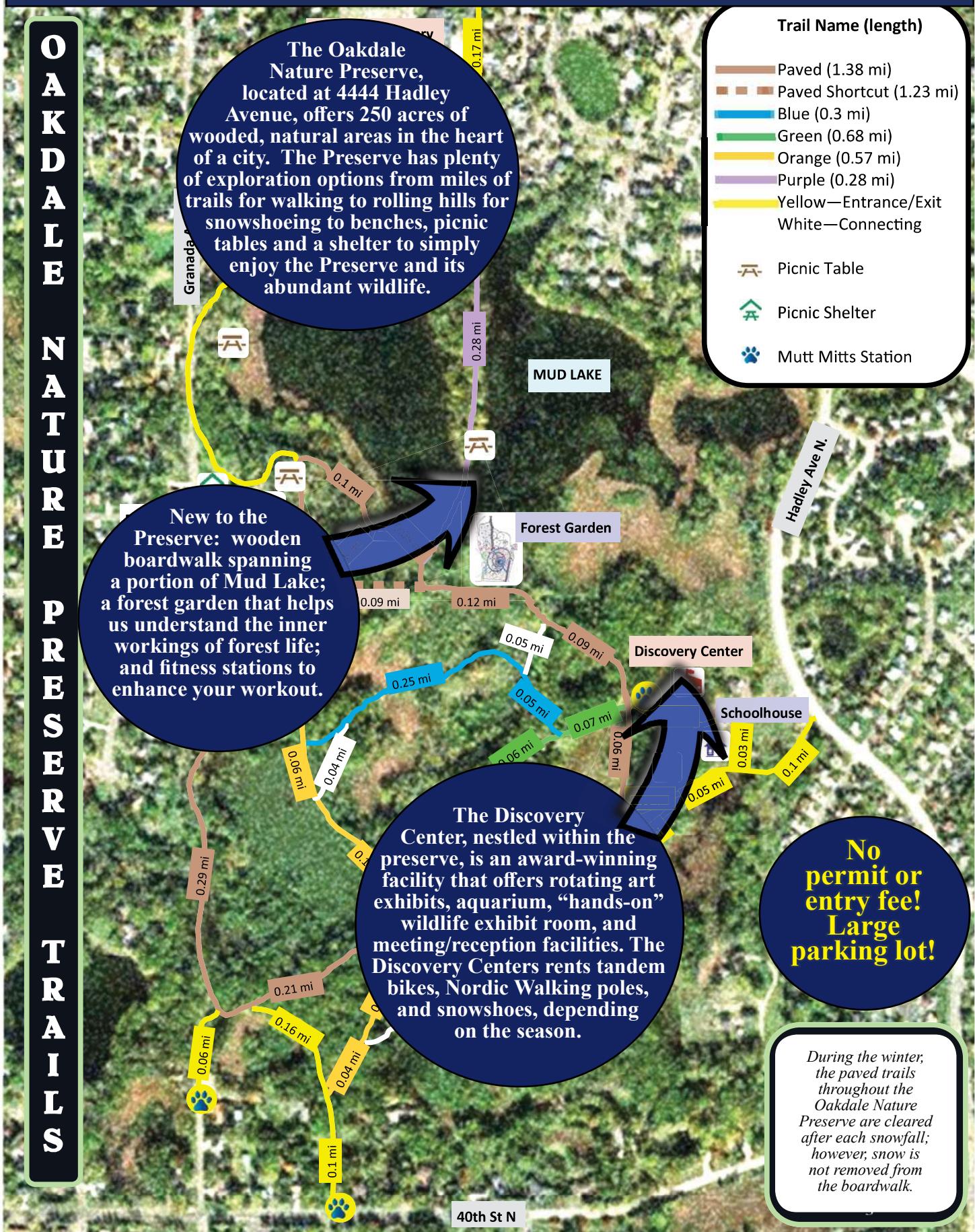
PLEASE REGISTER BY APRIL 7

Parents - Bring your camera!

\* EGG HUNT BEGINS AT APPROXIMATELY 9:15 AM



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## DISCOVER PICKLEBALL!

This exciting game is a combination of ping pong, tennis and badminton and played with a small racquet/paddle and a whiffle ball. This exciting sport is perfect for anyone looking for a low-impact racquet sport. The hockey rink at Walton Park is lined for Pickleball.

## BEGINNER LESSONS FOR ADULTS

Pickleball is a great workout for all fitness levels. Learn the basics of the game! Equipment will be provided or bring your own (please note on registration form if you need equipment). Ages 18 and up.

Dates: Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23  
Time: 6 to 7 pm  
Place: Walton Park Pickleball Courts  
Cost: \$20

*Please register by April 25*



## OPEN COURT PICKLEBALL

Join the Oakdale Pickleball Club or stop by to enjoy open court play; games are casual, beginners are welcomed. Equipment is provided or feel free to bring your own. Courts should be ready for play at the end of April, weather permitting.

Dates: Sundays 3 to 5 pm  
Mondays 6 to 8 pm  
Tuesdays 9 to 11 am  
Wednesdays 6 to 8 pm  
Thursdays 9 to 11 am  
Saturdays 9 to 11 am

Place: Walton Park Pickleball Courts (hockey rink)

## INTERMEDIATE LESSONS FOR ADULTS

You've learned the basics of the game, now it's time for intermediate lessons! Ages 18 and up.

Dates: Tuesdays; June 6, 13, 20, 27  
Time: 6 to 7 pm  
Place: Walton Park Pickleball Courts  
Cost: \$20

*Please register by May 30*

## SNOWSHOE RENTAL

Discovery Center - 4444 Hadley Avenue

Enjoy winter by making tracks in the 250 acres of the Oakdale Nature Preserve and discovering the tracks of the animals that live in the park.

Monday through Friday: 9 am to 4 pm  
Saturdays: 12 to 4 pm  
Sundays: 1 to 4 pm

\$5 per person for two-hour rental. First come, first served. Sizes available for children and adults. Reservations are recommended for groups of 6 or more. Please call 651-747-3860.

Paved trails in the Oakdale Nature Preserve are cleared for winter walking but not groomed for cross-country skiing; please use unpaved trails for skiing and snowshoeing.

## SNOWSHOEING

## SNOWSHOE - SIP - SAMPLE

Join us for an evening that includes sampling of:

- Full moon snowshoeing
- Appetizer sampling, food demonstrations from Hy-Vee
- Beer sampling by Maple Island Brewery
- Wines selected by local experts at Bright Wines
- Vintage game room

Enjoy snowshoeing through the Oakdale Nature Preserve lit by ice luminaries, relax by the outdoor bonfire, head indoors for food, wine, and beer samples and to play some of our very popular vintage games!

Date: Friday, February 10  
Time: 7 to 10 pm  
Place: Discovery Center - 4444 Hadley Avenue  
Cost: Pre-Register for \$34 per person  
or pay \$39 on February 10.  
Cost includes refreshments and snowshoe rental



# SPRING 2017 SPRING

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Swim <sup>bagizo</sup> <sup>nager</sup> <sup>dabaasha</sup> <sup>nadar</sup> Lessons

**District 622 Community Education** offers swimming lessons for all ages and abilities. Our American Red Cross trained instructors help develop water safety and swimming skills in a positive, fun, learning environment.

## Swim Class Description

### Parent/Child Lessons

**6 months - 5 years with adult | Child must wear swim diaper if not trained | 30 minute classes**

Parent/Tot 1 (6 months - 2 years) - Develop water readiness through games & play.

Parent/Tot 2 (2 - 4 years) - Child learns basic swim skills through group activities.

Parent/Tot 1 & 2 (6 months - 4 years) - Child learns basic swim skills through group activities.

Parent/Preschooler (3 - 5 years old) - A graduate of Parent/Tot 2 or will put face under water. Child learns basic swimming techniques through drills and play.



### Preschool Lessons

**4 - 5 year olds | Child participates without adult | 30 minute classes**

Turtles (Preschool 1) - Child who will not readily put face in the water. Learn basic skills and increase comfort level.

Bobbers (Preschool 2) - Child who will put face in the water and is comfortable in the water.

Super Kids (Preschool 3) - Child who can swim 10 feet with face in the water; child may have fundamental swim skills but is not ready for the larger class and longer class time of Level 1.



### School Age Lessons

**6 years and older | American Red Cross Levels 1 - 6 | 55 minute classes**

Level 1 & 2 - Fundamental Skills Entry level class for children ages 6 and older.

Level 3 - Stroke Development Passed Level 2 or can jump in deep water, swim on front and back for 30 feet.

Level 4 - Stroke Improvement Passed Level 3. Elementary backstroke, side stroke and butterfly kick.

Level 5 - Stroke Refinement Passed Level 4. Increase endurance of all strokes. Breast stroke, butterfly and side stroke.

Level 6 - Personal Water Safety and Fitness Swimmer Core skills are the same.

Personal Water Safety - emphasis on self-rescue, survival float, survival swimming.

Fitness Swimmer - emphasis on learning to increase and evaluate personal fitness.



### Private & Semi Private Swim Lessons for Children and Adults

Instructor will customize each 30 minute lesson. Register online for private lessons. (Private \$22/lesson, Semi-Private \$15/lesson). Call for additional times or to register 2 or more for semi-private lessons.

Register online at [www.isd622.org/swim](http://www.isd622.org/swim) To register by mail or in person send/bring completed registration form to:

ISD 622 Community Education/Swim, District Education Center, 2520 12th Ave E., North St Paul MN 55109

#### Swimmer's Information

#### Parent/Guardian's Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Class # \_\_\_\_\_ Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*To register additional swimmers include a note with the swimmer's name, birthdate, Class, Class #, and Fee amount.*

Payment Information (Debit Card, MasterCard, Visa, Discover, Check payable to ISD 622)

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Refund Policy:** A \$5 processing fee will be charged if you withdraw from the class prior to start date. No refund given on/after the start date of the class.

**Limited Financial Assistance** available for District 622 families on free/reduced lunch. Must call to register or register in person.

## John Glenn Middle School - 1560 County Rd B, Maplewood MN 55109

Class	Monday March 27 - May 15 8 Lessons \$70 Time Class #	Wednesday March 29 - May 17 8 Lessons \$70 Time Class #	Thursday March 30 - May 18 8 Lessons \$70 Time Class #	Saturday March 25 - May 13 no April 1 7 Lessons \$62 Time Class #
Parent/Tot 1	5:30 PM SST1A			
Parent/Tot 2	6:00 PM SST2A		6:00 PM SST2B	
Parent/Tot 1 & 2		6:00 PM SST12A		9:00 AM SST12B
Parent/Preschooler	6:30 PM SSP1			9:30 AM SSP2
Turtles	6:00 PM SSTU1		6:00 PM SSTU2	9:00 AM SSTU3
Bobbers	5:30 PM SSB1	6:30 PM SSB3	6:30 PM SSB4	9:30 AM SSB5
Bobbers	6:30 PM SSB2			11:00 AM SSB6
SuperKids	6:30 PM SSK1	6:30 PM SSK2	6:30 PM SSK3	11:00 AM SSK4
Level 1 and 2	5:30 PM SS1A	6:00 PM SS1C	6:00 PM SS1E	9:00 AM SS1G
Level 1 and 2	7:00 PM SS1B	7:00 PM SS1D	7:00 PM SS1F	10:00 AM SS1H
Level 3	7:00 PM SS3A	7:00 PM SS3B	7:00 PM SS3C	10:00 AM SS3D
Level 4	7:00 PM SS4A	7:00 PM SS4B	7:00 PM SS4C	10:00 AM SS4D
<b>Private Lessons</b> \$22/30 minute lesson	6:00 PM SPSJ1			11:00 AM SPSJ2 11:30 AM SPSJ3 11:30 AM SPSJ4 11:30 AM SPSJ5
Wednesdays 8 weeks \$176 Saturdays 7 weeks \$154 (Please call for additional times or to register 2 for Semi-Private Lessons.)				

## Skyview Community School - 1100 Heron Ave N, Oakdale MN 55128

Class	Monday March 27 - May 15 8 Lessons \$70 Time Class #	Tuesday March 28 - May 16 8 Lessons \$70 Time Class #	Thursday March 30 - May 18 8 Lessons \$70 Time Class #	Saturday March 25 - May 20 no April 1 & May 13 7 Lessons \$62 Time Class #
Parent/Tot 1 and 2		6:00 PM SST12C		9:30 AM SST12D
Parent/Preschooler				10:00 AM SSP3
Turtles			6:00 PM SSTU4	9:30 AM SSTU5
Bobbers	6:00 PM SSB7	6:30 PM SSB8	6:30 PM SSB9	10:00 AM SSB10
Bobbers				1:30 PM SSB11
SuperKids	6:30 PM SSK5			1:00 PM SSK6
Level 1 and 2	6:00 PM SS1J	6:00 PM SS1K	6:00 PM SS1N	9:30 AM SS1Q
Level 1 and 2		7:00 PM SS1M	7:00 PM SS1P	10:30 AM SS1R
Level 1 and 2				1:00 PM SS1S
Level 3	7:00 PM SS3E	6:00 PM SS3F	6:00 PM SS3G	10:30 AM SS3H
Level 3				11:30 AM SS3J
Level 4	6:00 PM SS4E	7:00 PM SS4F		10:30 AM SS4H
Level 4				1:00 PM SS4J
Level 5	7:00 PM SS5A	7:00 PM SS5B	7:00 PM SS5C	11:30 AM SS5D
Level 6	7:00 PM SS6A		7:00 PM SS6B	11:30 AM SS6C
<b>Private Lessons</b> \$22/30 minute lesson Wednesdays 8 weeks \$176 / Saturdays 7 weeks \$154 (Please call for additional times or to register 2 for Semi-Private Lessons.)				9:00 AM SPSS1 9:00 AM SPSS2 9:00 AM SPSS3

## Open Swim & Lap Swim Saturdays at Skyview

The pool is open between 2:00–3:30 pm for lap swimming, diving, skill practice and play!

March 25 - May 20 (closed on April 1 & May 13) | Walk-In Rate: Adults \$4 Student/Child \$3 Immediate Family \$10

Girls Swim Night Out  
Select Fridays at John Glenn Swimming for girls and women only  
January 20 February 24 March 24 April 28 May 12 Swimming 6:30–8:00 pm Refreshments 8:00–9:00 pm Suggested Admission Adults \$3 Students \$2 Family \$6

More Information at:  
[www.isd622.org/swim](http://www.isd622.org/swim)  
in partnership with Educational Equity Alliance

## Adult Water Fitness

Use the resistance of the water to develop cardiovascular endurance, muscular strength while improving flexibility. No swimming ability is necessary for this total body workout.

**Cardio Water Workout**  
Wednesdays Mar 29–May 17 7:00–8:00 pm Skyview Class #SC3 \$64

**Water Workout**  
Tuesdays April 4–May 16 8:00–9:00 pm John Glenn Class #SW3 \$56

Swim programs on Tues, Wed & Sat afternoons at Skyview are offered in partnership with the City of Oakdale.

## HATHA FLOW YOGA

Hatha Flow is a blend of various styles of yoga. Flow from posture to posture, rhythmically linking our breath with each posture, pausing at times to re-connect and center. Balance and stretch while standing, kneeling, sitting and lying. Beginners are welcome as are those who have practiced yoga before and all students are encouraged to move at their own comfortable pace. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat. Instructor: Joanne Romain is a registered teacher with the Yoga Alliance and has been practicing yoga for over 20 years.

## Tuesday Morning Hatha

Session 1: February 7 through March 28 (7 weeks) No class March 14  
 Cost: \$61 per person

Session 2: April 4 through May 30 (9 weeks)  
 Cost: \$77 per person

Time: 9:30 to 10:30 am  
 Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

## Wednesday Evening Hatha

Session 1: February 8 through March 29 (7 weeks) No class March 15  
 Cost: \$61 per person

Session 2: April 5 through May 31 (9 weeks)  
 Cost: \$77 per person

Time: 6:30 to 7:30 pm  
 Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

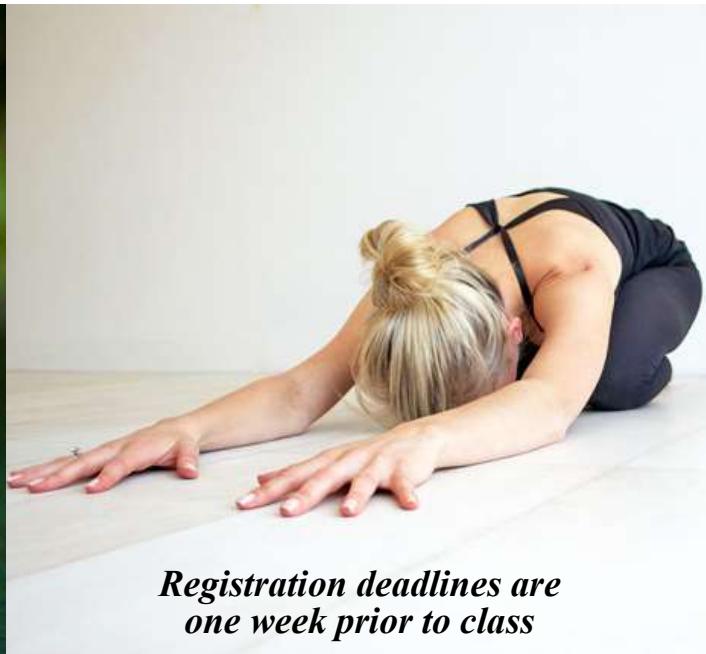
## YOGA FOR STRESS AND ANXIETY

In this class, you will be guided through gentle therapeutic yoga movements and learn breathing and meditative relaxation techniques to help counter stress and anxiety. The yoga movements can be adapted for anyone and the breathing and relaxation techniques are tools that you can “take off the mat” and into your life. Please wear comfortable clothes and bring a yoga mat.

## Monday Evening Yoga

Session 1:	February 6 through March 27 (7 weeks) No class March 13
Cost:	\$61 per person
Session 2:	April 3 through May 22 (8 weeks)
Cost:	\$69 per person
Time:	6:30 to 7:30 pm
Place:	Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

Drop in to  
 try any  
 yoga class for  
 only \$12



*Registration deadlines are  
 one week prior to class*

## O A K D A L E

## Wellness 50+

Oakdale Wellness 50+, a volunteer team, aims to engage Oakdale residents age 50 and older in health-focused activities that lead to measurably improved wellness. To that end we offer free programs, led by the Vital Aging Network, every month at the Oakdale Discovery Center. Oakdale Wellness 50+ is supported by Washington County, the City of Oakdale, and the Vital Aging Network. Join us! Volunteer opportunities available. Facebook: Discover Your Fitness. Here are the upcoming events:

**AGING WITH GUSTO! A community discussion on aging.** Whether we're 6, 66, or 106, aging is happening to all of us... if we're lucky! That's not going to change. But what can change is how we view aging and how we treat one another and ourselves as we age.

According to Yale University researchers, negative stereotypes of aging become negative self-perceptions later in life. Often these perceptions operate below awareness, yet have a dramatic impact on quality of life, health and even longevity.

Date: Saturday, January 28  
Time: 12:30 to 4 pm  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

Please call 651-747-3860 to reserve your spot!

**LINE DANCE YOUR WAY TO WELLNESS.** A fun intro to a popular way to get up and move. In addition, fitness evaluations will be offered.

Fitness evaluations are based on the Senior Fit Test, developed at Fullerton University by Dr. Roberta Rikli and Dr. Jessie Jones. Each component tests functional fitness for adequate strength, flexibility and endurance to accomplish everyday tasks.

Date: Saturday, February 25  
Time: 1 to 2:30 pm  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

**COOKING FOR A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE** A delicious exploration of eating for wellness.

Date: Thursday, March 23  
Time: 6 to 7:30 pm  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

**YOGA FOR EVERYONE.** Try some chair yoga, laughter yoga, and ways to include yoga in your daily life. Fitness evaluations continue.

Date: Saturday, April 8  
Time: 10:30 am to 12 pm  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

**KEEPING YOUR BONES STRONG TO KEEP MOVING.** A program to help improve our body's infrastructure.

Date: Saturday, May 6  
Time: 10:30 am to 12 pm  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

**CONNECTING THE GENERATIONS**

Are you a senior who needs a job done around the house this spring?

Are you a teen who wants to help others in the community?

Seniors, answer a few easy questions and we'll match you up with a teen (13 to 18 years old) who may contact you regarding your project.

Teens, answer a few easy questions and we'll match you up with a senior who would like help with jobs around the house such as sowing, weeding, raking, etc. This is a great opportunity for you to gain work experience, job references, and completion of service hours.

**OAKDALE SUMMERFEST 5&10K RUN/WALK**  
sponsored by  
Citizens Community Federal Bank

Get ready and gear up for the annual Oakdale Summerfest 5K/10K race! This is a race for *all abilities* of runners and walkers. The route starts and ends at the beautiful Discovery Center. Get signed up and start your training!

Date: Saturday, June 24

7 am: Check in begins  
8 am: 10K Runners begin  
8:10 am: 5K Runners begin

Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

Cost:  
5K: \$20 before June 1  
\$25 after June 1  
\$30 race day

10K: \$30 before June 1  
\$35 after June 1  
\$40 race day

Registration fee includes t-shirt\*, chip timing, post-race drinks and snacks, and chance for prizes!

Registrants signing up for the race after June 14 will need to pick up their t-shirts after race day at the Discovery Center.

*\*Please indicate your t-shirt size on your registration form.*

There are five convenient ways to pay for programs and activities. For more information, please call 651-747-3860.

Online  
[www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com)



Mail  
4444 Hadley Avenue N  
Oakdale, MN 55128



Fax  
651-747-3861



In-Person  
4444 Hadley Avenue or  
City Hall - 1584 Hadley Avenue



Drop Boxes  
Located in front of the Discovery Center or in City Hall parking lot.



#### REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Registration deadlines are established for programs to ensure appropriate staffing, supplies, and facility needs. Please refer to program descriptions for each program's registration deadline.

#### PROGRAM CONFIRMATIONS

You will be contacted only if a program is full, cancelled, or if a program change is necessary.

#### WAIT LISTS

If a class or event is full, you may request that your name be placed on a waiting list in the event that an opening occurs.

#### CANCELLATION

Oakdale Recreation reserves the right to cancel, postpone or combine programs, and/or change instructors. Classes with insufficient enrollment will be cancelled and payment refunded or credited to your account. Participants will be notified of program cancellations prior to the start of the program.

#### REFUNDS

Registration fees for programs cancelled by the Recreation Department will be fully refunded. Other than Adult Trips, participants may cancel a registration three business days before the start of the program and receive a refund, less a \$5 administration fee. Once a refund has been requested, a check will be mailed within 45 days. If the registration payment was charged, a credit to the credit card will be processed. No refunds can be issued once a program has started or if tickets were purchased for a trip or event.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Scholarships are available for persons who need financial assistance to participate in youth programs. Funds are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information or to request an application, please call 651-747-3860.

#### E-BROCHURES

Receive your brochure by E-mail. You can have all your Oakdale Recreation information instantly and immediately when you sign-up for E-brochures. It's quick and easy to register. Submit your request via e-mail to [laura.heimkes@ci.oakdale.mn.us](mailto:laura.heimkes@ci.oakdale.mn.us) you will begin receiving your brochures with the next issue.

**Questions? Please call 651-747-3860  
or visit [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com)**

*There's no residency requirement to participate in Oakdale's programs and events!*

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**Oakdale Recreation Department ~ Discovery Center**  
Phone: 651-747-3860 / Fax: 651-747-3861      [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com)

**Name of Parent/Guardian  
or Adult Participant making payment** **Address** **City** **Zip**

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Home Phone	Cell Phone	Work/Other Phone
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## Cell Phone

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**Work/Other Phone**

**Zip**

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**Email (please circle one):**

***Emergency Contact Information for Participant (not parent or guardian):***

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**Email (please circle one):**

**Parent    Guardian    Adult Participant**

Name

**Telephone Number**

## Relationship

**PERMISSION AND WAIVER:** I hereby agree to allow my child to participate in the Oakdale Recreation Department activity named below. In consideration of your accepting this registration, I hereby, for myself and my heirs, waive any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the City of Oakdale and its representatives, for any and all injuries from whatever cause suffered by the participant (s) listed in the indicated activity below. I understand that the information that I have provided will be distributed to individuals involved with each recreation program.

**The Oakdale Recreation Department often takes pictures, slides, and videotape of participants for program promotion and brochures. The completion of your registration signifies your acceptance of this consent.**

**Parent/Guardian/Adult Participant Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Today's Date** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>OFFICE USE ONLY:</b>	Date received: _____	Amount Received: _____	Rec'd by: _____		
<b>MAIL:</b>	Mail completed form and payment (checks made to "City of Oakdale") to: <b>Oakdale Recreation, 4444 Hadley Avenue North, Oakdale, MN 55128</b>				
<b>PAYMENT TYPE:</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check # _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card: Signature: _____					
Circle:	VISA	MC	AM EXP	DISCOVER	Card Expiration Date: _____
Card #				Three Digit Security Code #	_____

## OAKDALE UPDATE ENVIRONMENTAL SECTION

# THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!



A “small, but mighty” group of volunteers gave their time last September 10 to plant 150 native plants in the swale area at Tanners Lake. The dry creek is now lined on both sides through the entire feature, making it both visually attractive and functional as water is now infiltrated as it moves through the swale.

### KEEP SPRING RUN-OFF CLEAN

To help keep our ponds and wetlands clean this spring and summer, please follow these simple steps:

- Direct water from downspouts onto the lawn, away from your house and paved surfaces.
- Remove debris (leaves, branches, trash) from the storm drains near your home, particularly after a rainstorm.
- Don’t rake debris (leaves, grass, sand and dirt) from your lawn into the street.
- Don’t apply lawn care products to frozen ground; wait until the grass starts growing.
- Sweep up and reuse any lawn care products that fall on streets, sidewalks and driveways.
- Clean your lawn and garden equipment on the grass, rather than on hard surfaces, in the gutter, or over storm drains.
- Sweep up soil and grass clippings. Never wash or blow them into the street.
- Seal your trash bags and keep litter out of the street because storm drains carry trash from your street to lakes and rivers, even if they are miles away.
- Pick up after your pet so that the waste, which is full of harmful nutrients and bacteria, does not get washed into lakes and rivers.
- Keep your car regularly maintained so fluids don’t leak on the street.

For more ideas, please visit [www.cleanwatermn.org](http://www.cleanwatermn.org).

### WATERFEST 2017

Saturday, June 3, 11 am to 4 pm (rain or shine)  
Lake Phalen Park, 1600 Phalen Dr, St. Paul

This free, family festival celebrating our clean lakes offers fun and an opportunity for outdoor hands-on learning about clean water, wildlife, and land and water conservation. Start the day with a Voyageur canoe ride, learn to paddle a canoe or kayak, learn to fish and participate in a fishing contest or swim at the beach.

For landlubbers, the fun continues with water games, a water arcade, geocaching, climbing walls, jump castle, native plant giveaway, passport odyssey, live animals, landscaping, watershed and art exhibits, music, lakeside yoga, food for purchase and lots more!

For more information, please go to: <http://www.rwmwd.org>.



**Oakdale's recycling programs and other Environmental Management Commission activities are funded, in part, by grants from Washington County.**

# OAKDALE UPDATE ENVIRONMENTAL SECTION

## DO YOU HAVE A HEALTHY HOME?

Because we spend so much time inside our homes, they need to be a safe environment to eat, play, and raise our families. Unfortunately, our homes can sometimes make us sick. The Washington County website has a link to a “healthy homes checklist” that helps determine whether your home is a healthy one. If you find areas that need improvement, the checklist provides links to resources that will show how to make your home the safest and healthiest place for you and your family. Some of the areas to be considered are air and water quality, mold and moisture, chemical and food safety, and pest control.

To access the Healthy Homes checklist, go to [www.co.washington.mn.us/](http://www.co.washington.mn.us/) and click on “Environmental Center” on the right and then “Healthy Homes” on the left. If you have questions about healthy homes topics, please call the Washington County Environmental Services at 651-430-6655.

**Washington County**

**HEALTHY HOMES CHECKLIST**

Use this checklist to help you assess the health of your home and identify areas for improvement.

These items are beneficial to keeping your home a healthy place to live.

These are items you may want to consider to improve the health of your home.

	Yes	No
Was your home built before 1978?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Do you see chipping or cracking paint near doors, windows, or baseboards?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Do you have vinyl shades?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Do you have any metal costume jewelry or toys?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are vents from your kitchen, bathroom, and laundry room clean and unobstructed?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Do you smell mold or mildew when you first enter your home?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Do your windows open and close?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Do you see condensation on the inside of windows?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Do you see signs of water damage under sinks, in closets, or on walls?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are there signs of mold or mildew in the shower, sink, windowsill, walls, or ceiling?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is your bathroom fan able to draw a piece of tissue toward itself?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Lead Resources**  
Any ? Visit the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) healthy homes website under [Lead](#).

**Mold and moisture**

Are vents from your kitchen, bathroom, and laundry room clean and unobstructed?

Do you smell mold or mildew when you first enter your home?

Do your windows open and close?

Do you see condensation on the inside of windows?

Do you see signs of water damage under sinks, in closets, or on walls?

Are there signs of mold or mildew in the shower, sink, windowsill, walls, or ceiling?

Is your bathroom fan able to draw a piece of tissue toward itself?

**Mold and Moisture Resources**  
Any ? Visit the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) healthy homes website under [Mold and Moisture](#).

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## Environmental Center



## FREE Product Room

Pick up reusable paint, automotive products, cleaners and other products for free. Residents must be 18 years old to participate.

### Drive through and drop it off

Household hazardous items such as paint, motor oil, fluorescent light bulbs, and electronics.

Open to residents of Washington, Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, and Ramsey counties. Proof of county residency, such as a driver's license, is required.

#### More info:

[www.co.washington.mn.us](http://www.co.washington.mn.us)  
651-430-6655



4039 Cottage Grove Dr  
Woodbury, MN 55129

Tues 11am - 7pm

Thurs/Fri 8am - 4:30pm

Sat 8am - 2pm

Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Day & other major holidays.

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### ZERO WASTE

### Waste Prevention vs. Waste Management

Zero Waste is a philosophy that encourages us to change our lifestyles and practices so that no trash is sent to landfills or incinerators. All materials are designed to become resources for us or others to use. Certainly, Zero Waste means manufacturers must design and manage products and processes to avoid and eliminate the volume and toxicity of waste and materials, conserve and recover all resources, and not burn or bury them. But there are many things we as consumers can do to contribute.

Here are some tips to carry out the Zero Waste philosophy:

- Arm yourself with a reusable water bottle, a couple grocery totes, a few cloth bags, and reusable jars and bottles.
- Swap paper towels for reusable rags.
- Bring your own jar to the ice cream shop to buy bulk ice cream, a pillow case to the bakery for your bread, or your bottles to the winery/brewery.
- Use baking soda as a scrubber along with a compostable cleaning brush (a wooden one with natural hair).
- Reinvent your leftovers before they go bad.
- Reuse single-side printed paper for grocery shopping and errands list.
- Use your lettuce cleaning water to water plants.
- Open your oven door after baking/cooking in the winter to cool your oven and to warm your house.
- Buy second-hand clothing.
- If you must buy new, look for quality and leave the shoe box at the store.
- Buy dishwasher detergent in bulk; use white vinegar as a rinsing aid.
- Reuse junk mail response envelopes; when buying new paper, choose recycled.
- Use your library for business magazines and books; sell your books or donate them to your library or place them in a “Little Library”.
- Use memory sticks and external drives instead of CDs.
- Medicine choices: choose tablets (pain reliever, for example) in a plastic jar (usually a recyclable #2), instead of the tablets individually wrapped in aluminum/plastic.
- Use drought tolerant and native plants; replace your lawn with short native grasses.
- Make room for compost.
- Return plastic containers to the garden shop.

THE FIVE Rs  
of Zero Waste:

REFUSE what you do not need,  
REDUCE what you do need,  
REUSE what you consume,  
RECYCLE what you cannot Refuse,  
Reduce or Reuse, and  
ROT (compost) the rest.

### DISPOSING OF BULKY ITEMS

For many, recycling the small stuff is easy. But what do you do with the big stuff like appliances, furniture, and carpet? Your trash hauler may pick up furniture and other large household items, so call them first to see what they collect and if there are additional fees. Also, the following businesses offer self-haul options for bulky items. Contact them for hours, directions, and disposal costs.

#### *Appliances, carpet, furniture, mattresses, scrap metal, tires:*

- Advanced Disposal, St. Paul, 309 Como Avenue  
651-487-8546
- City Tech, Forest Lake, 6563 145th Ave NE  
651-464-6763
- J and J Recycling, St. Paul, 607 Barge Channel Rd  
651-227-4457
- Keith Krupenny & Son, St. Paul, 565 Barge Channel  
651-457-3680
- Twin City Refuse & Recycling, St Paul, 318 W Water  
651-227-1549

#### *Appliances, furniture, mattresses, tires:*

- Waste Processing Facility, Newport, 100 Red Rock  
651-768-6670

#### *Carpet:*

- Bro-Tex, Inc, Saint Paul, 800 Hampden Avenue  
651-272-7227

#### *Appliances and scrap metal*

- J.R'S Advanced Recyclers, Inver Grove Heights 10619  
Briggs Drive  
651-454-9215

City of Oakdale  
1584 Hadley Avenue North  
Oakdale, MN 55128

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## SAVE THE DATES:

### INDOOR MARKET

January 21, February 4 & 18, March 4 & 18  
9 am to 1 pm  
Discovery Center - 4444 Hadley

### INDOOR GARAGE SALE

March 11, 9 am to 1 pm  
Discovery Center - 4444 Hadley

### PETE GRASKE TREE GIVEAWAY

April 29 at 10 am  
Numbers given out at 9 am  
Walton Park - 15th Street and Hadley

### EARLY REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER REC PROGRAMS

4444 Hadley Avenue

April 27 8 am to 4:30 pm

Summer program information will be delivered to area schools and posted at [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com) in early April.

### CITYWIDE GARAGE SALES

May 4, 5, 6

Register at 651-739-5086 or on-line  
List of participating addresses  
will be posted on-line and at City Hall

### FARMER'S MARKET

Wednesdays, from June to October, 2 to 6 pm  
Walton Park - vicinity of Hadley and 16th Street

### FREE COMMUNITY PICNIC

Thursday, June 15, 11 am to 1 pm  
Oakdale Fire Station - 5000 Hadley Avenue

### SUMMERFEST

June 22, 23, 24  
Walton Park, 1584 Hadley  
Parade, fireworks, entertainment,  
medallion hunt, royalty, food, and much more!

## CITY OFFICE ADDRESSES and HOURS

City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue	8 am to 4:30 pm
Building Inspections: Regular Hours:	8 am to 4:30 pm
Building Inspections: Extended Hours (May thru September)	7 am to 4:30 pm
Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri	8 am to 4:30 pm
Thursday	8 am to 8 pm
Saturday	12 to 4 pm
Sunday	1 to 4 pm
Fire Station Headquarters, 5000 Hadley	8 am to 4:30 pm
Recreation Department, 4444 Hadley	8 am to 4:30 pm
Police Department, 1584 Hadley	8 am to 4:30 pm
Public Works, 1900 Hadley Avenue	7 am to 3:30 pm



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## ADOPT A PARK PROGRAM

Oakdale's "Adopt-A-Park" program is designed to help keep our parks maintained. This is a great activity for individuals, families, organizations, churches, service clubs, youth groups, schools, and businesses.

The process is easy! Contact the Parks Department at (651) 730-2740, select a park, then submit an application!

## ADOPT A PARK PROGRAM



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