

# OAKDALE UPDATE

FALL-WINTER 2018-2019



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.

**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.

**ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION** meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7 PM at Oakdale City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue.

**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?

**PLANNING COMMISSION** meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 7 PM at the Oakdale City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue.

*Watch meetings (live and rebroadcasts) at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us). Go to "Live Stream City Meetings" at the "Your Government" tab. Also watch meetings on Cable Channel 16.*

*Meeting Materials are available for viewing at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us). Or to sign up to subscribe to City Council and / or commission meeting materials via email, go to: "How Do I", "Sign Up For", "Notifications".*

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

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Teresa at **651-739-5086**  
[teresa.buhl@ci.oakdale.mn.us](mailto:teresa.buhl@ci.oakdale.mn.us)

**ADOPT A PARK.** Volunteer as a group, family or individual to keep our parks beautiful. Learn more at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us), "How Do I", "Sign Up For", "Adopt a Park." Ongoing.

**BATTLE BUCKTHORN.** October 13. Oakdale Nature Preserve. Need: 25 volunteers.

**FAMILY FUN FLATABLES.** September 15. Walton Park. Need: 20 volunteers.

**FLASHLIGHT PUMPKIN HUNT.** October 25. Oakdale Discovery Center. Need 3 volunteers.

**FOOD SHELF (CCEFS) PRODUCE FAIR.** Saturdays, Hours: 9 AM to 12 PM. Ongoing.

**FOOD SHELF WILDCARD WEDNESDAY.** New program that "redirects" two tons of food to neighbors in need. Two shifts. 8:30 to 11 AM and 11 AM to 2 PM. The key need is for second shift when they serve customers and restock shelves. Need 8 volunteers. Ongoing.

**SENIOR ASSIST.** Help seniors in the community with small projects at their home or yard. Ongoing.

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

# TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Mayor Paul Reinke.....	651-773-1104
Council member Mark Landis.....	651-402-9279
Council member Lori Pulkabek.....	651-702-6355
Council member Bill Rasmussen.....	651-731-1676
Council member Kevin Zabel.....	612-227-1186
Council Information.....	651-730-2704
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
Code Enforcement.....	651-702-5225
Communications.....	651-730-2722
Community Development.....	651-730-2720
Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley.....	651-747-3860
Economic Development Commission Information.....	651-730-2721
Engineering.....	651-730-2734
Environmental Center (Woodbury).....	651-430-6655
Environmental Commission Information.....	651-730-2723
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 .....	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
Parks and Recreation Commission Information.....	651-747-3867
Planning Commission Information.....	651-730-2720
Post Office, 1175 Gershwin.....	651-501-4658
Public Works Department.....	651-730-2740
Recreation Department.....	651-747-3860
Recycling, Trash, and Environmental.....	651-730-2723
School District #622.....	651-748-7560
Summerfest.....	651-730-2744
Tartan Ice Arena, west of Tartan High.....	651-714-9251
Utility Billing.....	651-730-2716
Volunteer Coordinator.....	651-739-5086
Washington County Government Center.....	651-430-6000

<i>First Call for Help (United Way Referral Line).....</i>	<i>211</i>
<i>Travel and Traffic Information.....</i>	<i>511</i>
<i>Minnesota Relay.....</i>	<i>711</i>
<i>Call Before Digging (Gopher State One Call).....</i>	<i>811</i>
<i>Police, Fire (Non-emergency and emergency calls).....</i>	<i>911</i>

## 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, 1584 Hadley	
Extended Hours (April to October)	7 AM to 4:30 PM
Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley	
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	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Recreation, 4444 Hadley	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Police Department Offices, 1584 Hadley	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Public Works, 1900 Hadley	7 AM to 3:30 PM

# RESIDENT RESOURCE: Important Stuff to Know

**BUDGET AND TAXES.** Learn about the City's 2019 budget and how a share of your property taxes fund a wide variety of services and programs in Oakdale. Attend the Truth in Taxation meeting on December 11, 6 PM, at Oakdale City Hall. Questions? Please call 651-730-2714.

**CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL.** From December 26 through January 31, Oakdale residents may recycle naturally-grown trees at the Public Works Building, 1900 Hadley Avenue for only \$3 per tree. Hours: 7:30 AM to 3 PM, Monday through Friday. Evergreen garland or wreaths cannot be accepted.

**COLLECTED AT CITY HALL YEAR ROUND: CELL PHONES, CHRISTMAS LIGHTS, FLAGS, EYEGLASSES, HEARING AIDS**

**DOGS.** Dear Dog Owners, please remember to:

- Pick up all dog droppings.
- Keep dogs on a leash or other physical restraint when out and about - especially in parks and especially the Oakdale Nature Preserve / Oakdale Park.
- Keep dogs from entering private property that is not your own. Not everyone is a pet lover -- including some other pets!
- Have your dog's city-issued license attached to their collar.

**HEATING BILL HELP.** Need assistance with 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).

**NOTIFICATIONS FROM THE CITY.** You can subscribe to a variety of notices sent out by the City: choose from employment opportunities; council and commission meeting agendas; police, public works, and recreation announcements, and more! To subscribe, go to: [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us), and

- Select: "How Do I" at top of page, then
- Select: "Sign Up For", then
- Select: "Notifications" and select which topics you would like to know about via email or text message.

**PROPERTY COMPLAINTS.** Want to let the City know about an issue with a neighboring property? Go to [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us) and select the orange "Citizen Action Center" button or call 651-702-5225.

**RECREATIONAL VEHICLES.** Time to put away boats, campers, trailers, and RVs and dust off the snowmobiles. Throughout the year, each property is allowed to keep one recreational vehicle outside; whether it's in the side or rear yard (at least 5 feet 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 and the rest are hibernating inside the garage or at off-site storage. Questions? Please call 651-702-5225.

**SCAMS AND HOW TO AVOID THEM.** The Oakdale Police Department has compiled information into a brochure aimed at helping seniors and their families avoid common scams. Request your copy of "Don't Get Hooked" by calling 651-739-5086.

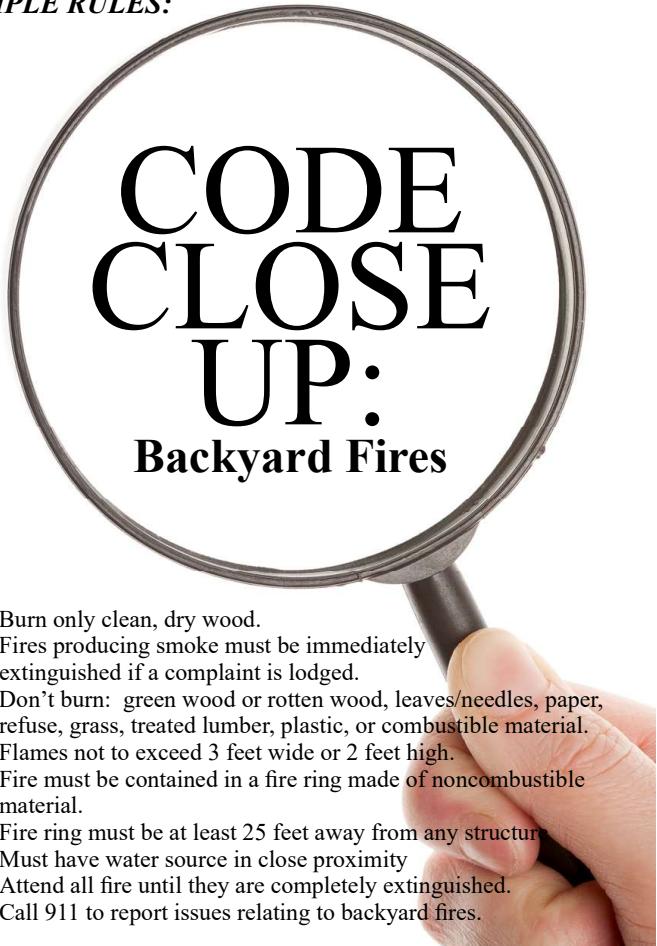
**WILDLIFE AND WATER FOWL.** Please remember that the feeding of wildlife and water fowl is not allowed.

## WINTER REMINDERS:

- **WINTER PARKING.** From November 1 through April 1, City streets need to be free of parked vehicles from 12 to 5 AM as well as anytime snow accumulation equals or exceeds 2 inches, day or night, until streets are cleared curb to curb. A good rule of thumb is to keep vehicles off the road any time there is "measurable snowfall".

- **FIRE HYDRANT - IF IT'S NEAR, PLEASE KEEP IT CLEAR!** Please consider adopting one of the 1,500 hydrants in the City by keeping it cleared of snow so it's easy for fire personnel to locate, and to maintain a path from the street to the hydrant so it's easy for fire personnel to access.
- **KEEPING STREETS CLEAR.** Please don't risk a fine by plowing, shoveling, pushing, or blowing snow into the street.
- **MAILBOX OR SOD DAMAGE.** Properly installed mailboxes (see City's web site or call 651-730-2740) accidentally toppled by the blade of a snowplow will be replaced by City crews as soon as time allows. Please report damage at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us) or 651-730-2740.
- **TRASH CONTAINERS.** On trash collection day, place rubbish and recycling containers on your driveway apron, behind the curb, just prior to 7 AM.
- **PROTECT PIPES.** Prolonged low temperatures and the increased depth of frost in the ground increase the likelihood of water pipes freezing. Frozen pipes are at risk of expanding and rupturing. By monitoring your water service, you may be able to determine if it is beginning to experience difficulties. One sign is seeing discolored water when you turn on the faucet. Another is a water temperature below 40 degrees. (To determine water temperature, hold an instant read or kitchen thermometer under running water or immediately insert the thermometer into a water filled glass). One way to lessen the chance of frozen pipes is to run a faucet at a slow trickle to keep water flowing through the pipes. If you have questions, or if you utilize the services of a pipe thawing company, please call the City at 651-730-2740 or 651-730-2710.

## MAKE BACKYARD FIRES ENJOYABLE FOR EVERYONE BY FOLLOWING THESE SIMPLE RULES:



- Burn only clean, dry wood.
- Fires producing smoke must be immediately extinguished if a complaint is lodged.
- Don't burn: green wood or rotten wood, leaves/needles, paper, refuse, grass, treated lumber, plastic, or combustible material.
- Flames not to exceed 3 feet wide or 2 feet high.
- Fire must be contained in a fire ring made of noncombustible material.
- Fire ring must be at least 25 feet away from any structure.
- Must have water source in close proximity.
- Attend all fire until they are completely extinguished.
- Call 911 to report issues relating to backyard fires.

# ACORN AWARD RECIPIENTS: 2018

Every year, since 1994, Oakdale's Acorn Award program has recognized beautifully landscaped properties in the community. From nominations accepted throughout the year, winning properties are selected in three to four categories. Winning property owners receive a visit from the City Council, a certificate of recognition, and a gift card from an area nursery. *Congratulations to this year's winners!*



**COMMERCIAL CATEGORY:**  
TLC Veterinary Hospital, 1490 Helmo



**MULTI-FAMILY CATEGORY:**  
Echo Ridge Senior Living, 1033 Gershwin



**PUBLIC CATEGORY:**  
Oakfield Park, Helmo Avenue



**RESIDENTIAL CATEGORY:**  
Dave Kircher & Becky Buckner, 6532 - 49th

## CLEAN STREETS = CLEAN WATER

Storm drains on your street carry rainwater and snow runoff to nearby lakes and streams. Keeping trash, chemicals, and pet and yard waste from entering the drain can keep our waterways from becoming polluted. What can you do?

- Never dump engine oil or soapy water into storm drains.
- Don't wash out painting supplies in your driveway or the street.
- Rake and Sweep the street in front of your property to keep it from entering the storm drain. Grass clippings and dirt contain phosphorus and nitrogen that create algae and algae can be detrimental to fish, birds, and wildlife.
- Collect trash before it can enter the storm drain.

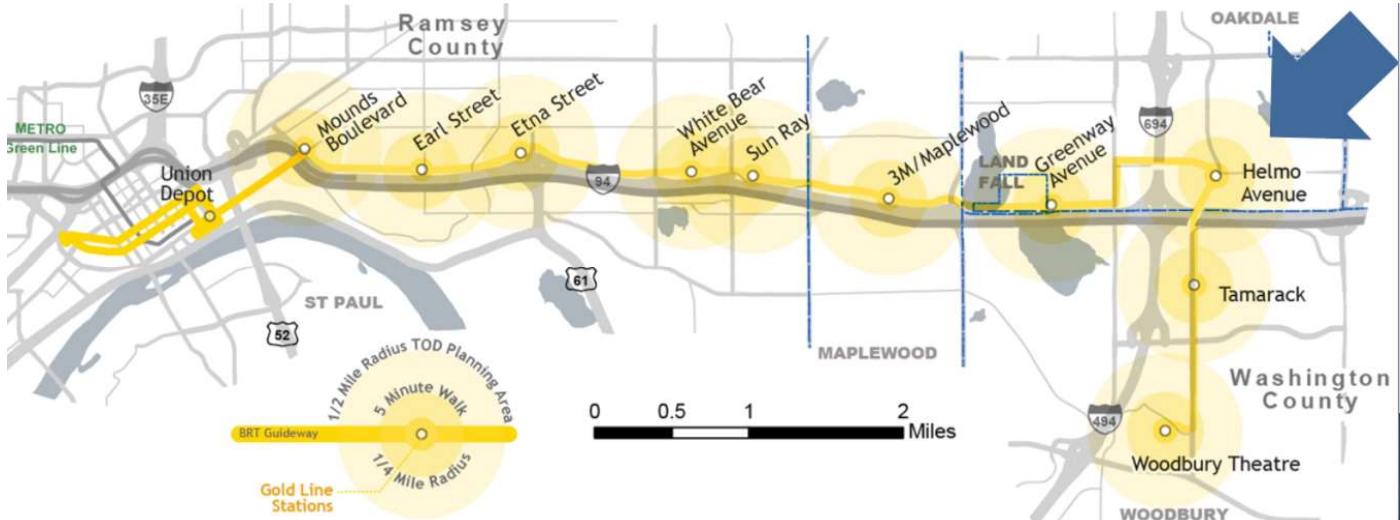
Learn more at [www.cleanwatermn.org](http://www.cleanwatermn.org).



# METRO GOLD LINE TO OFFER CONVENIENCE AND ACCESS

The METRO Gold Line is coming to Oakdale. As part of the regional METRO system, the Gold Line will connect people across the region to job centers, housing options, transit stations and key destinations in the Interstate 94 corridor. The nine-mile Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line will connect Saint Paul, Maplewood, Landfall, Oakdale, and Woodbury generally along Interstate 94.

Gold Line service, expected to begin in 2024, will offer new opportunities for Oakdale residents to conveniently connect to neighboring suburbs and into downtown Saint Paul. The Gold Line, which will operate in exclusive lanes dedicated to transit buses only, will provide all-day service seven days a week.



## CITY SETS VISION THROUGH 2040

On August 13, the City Council adopted the 2040 Comprehensive Plan, which outlines how the community wants to develop its land, redevelop older areas, ensure adequate housing; provide roads, water, sewer, protect natural areas, and meet other community goals. The Plan has been sent to all adjacent and affected jurisdictions and the Metropolitan Council for review and comment.

### What is a Comprehensive Plan?

*The Comprehensive Plan is an official statement by the City Council establishing major goals and policies concerning the desirable physical, social and economic development future of the City. The Plan represents the Community's vision for how it desires to grow, change, and renew itself. The Council refers to the Plan when making decisions regarding the physical, social, and economic development of the City.*

### Why is the City Updating Its Comprehensive Plan?

*State law requires that Comprehensive Plans be updated at least every 10 years, and align with the Metropolitan Council's regional system plans related to highways, transit, airports, wastewater services, parks and open space.*

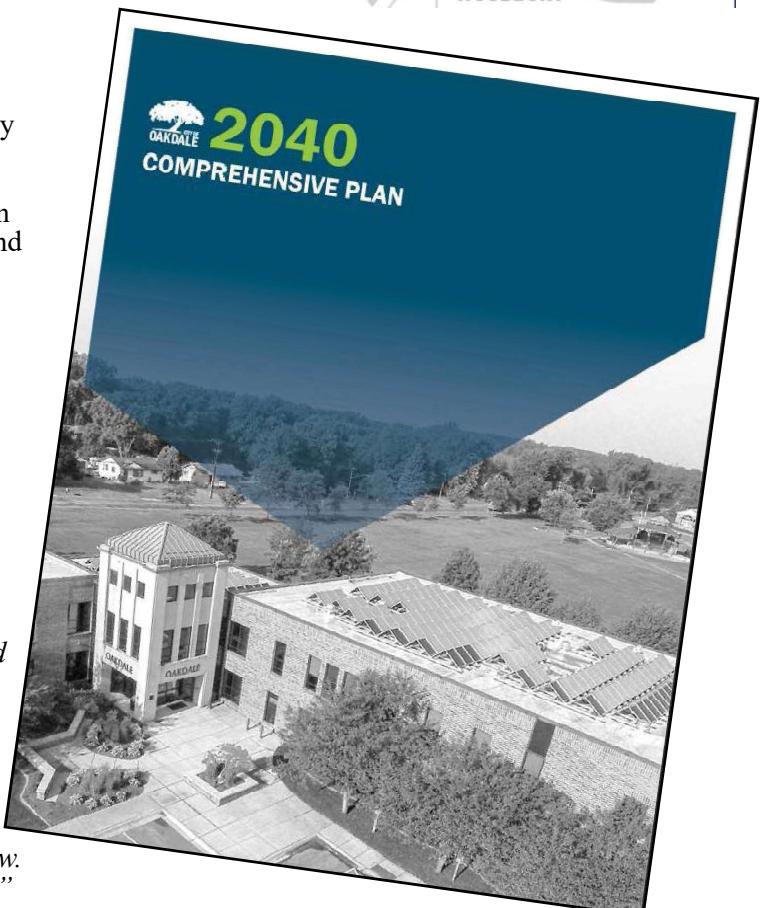
### How Can I Learn More?

*The Comprehensive Plan is available for viewing at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us); search "Comprehensive Plan Update" or call 651-730-2806.*

The Gold Line project is currently in environmental review and the design advancement phase, with a focus on developing the alignment of bike and pedestrian connections, the design of the stations, and the station area.

There will be two stations servicing Oakdale, one at Greenway Avenue and one at Helmo Avenue. The Helmo station area plan was approved by Oakdale City Council in June. The Greenway station area plan is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

For more information, please visit [www.metrotransit.org/gold-line-project](http://www.metrotransit.org/gold-line-project).



# HOME ENERGY SQUAD CAN HELP MAKE YOUR HOME COMFORTABLE AND EFFICIENT

Minnesotans place a high premium on comfort. If you experience discomfort in hot and cold weather, this could indicate energy loss in your home. A home that controls both the summer heat and the winter cold is achievable with energy efficiency upgrades. And, it's probably not surprising that a more comfortable home is also more affordable.

Whether you are a new homeowner or have been in a home for decades, a good first step is to schedule an energy assessment. Xcel Energy customers can take advantage of the Home Energy Squad enhanced visit, which includes the installation of energy saving products, such as LED bulbs, door weather stripping, a water heater blanket, and programmable thermostat, as well as an energy assessment that involves a blower door test, insulation inspection, and combustion safety test. , the Home Energy Squad will help assess your home for energy efficiency opportunities.

Mary, from Oakdale, had lived in her home for four years when she learned of Xcel Energy's Home Energy Squad program. Her home was drafty and the energy bills seemed high. So, Mary called and scheduled a home visit. She was impressed with all of the products that were installed and found the technicians to be "very professional and knowledgeable". And, she added "they even helped me program my thermostat!"

The assessment portion of the visit revealed that Mary's furnace was nearing the end of its useful life and an upgrade to a newer model would increase her home's performance by 25 percent. As an added incentive, Xcel Energy offers rebates for replacing old, inefficient heating systems. The Home Energy Squad then helped connect Mary with an approved

contractor to do the work.

Mary described the process, from scheduling the home visit to the replacement of her furnace as "seamless". And, there were tangible improvements. Mary reported that her new furnace "warmed up much faster and my heating bills were lower".

The Home Energy Squad enhanced service is valued at \$600 but is available to Xcel Energy customers for only \$100. It is also offered for no cost to income qualified households.

To schedule an appointment with the Home Energy Squad, call 651-328-6220 or visit [homeenergysquad.net](http://homeenergysquad.net).



## 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.*

# RECYCLED INFORMATION ABOUT RECYCLING

Recycling has been in the news a lot lately. The good news is that we have become *really good* recyclers; the bad news is that we are putting things in the recycling bin that either cannot be recycled or that interfere with the integrity of the items that *can* be recycled. So let's make Oakdale the "We Recycle Right" capital of the world! Or how about the "We Recycle Right" capital of all the *Oakdales* in the country (there are a lot!) The best part is that it's a simple title to earn. Put the items listed in the green box (provided below) -- rinsed and dry -- into recycling containers and put the items *not* listed in the green box into the trash or to the Washington County Environmental Center.

## YOUR RECYCLE BINS WANTS THESE ITEMS:

### BOXBOARD and CARDBOARD:

- Boxes used for things like cereal, cake mix
- Rolls from center of TP and paper towels
- Shoe Boxes
- Moving Boxes
- Shipping Boxes
- Corrugated cardboard

### GLASS - all Colors:

- Bottles, rinsed, place caps in trash, no lid
- Jars, rinsed, place lids in trash, no lid

### METAL:

- Cans, rinsed, lid tucked inside
- Disposal aluminum pans

### PAPER:

- Copy Paper
- Newspaper
- Envelopes
- Mail, letters, bills, flyers, coupons
- Paper Sacks
- Magazines
- Poster board
- Telephone books
- Card stock, no embellishments

### PLASTIC:

- Bottles #1-7, rinsed, caps on
- Containers #1-7, rinsed, lids on
- Medicine bottles #1-07, lids on
- Clamshell containers, #1-7



## BUT NOT THESE:

### BOXBOARD and CARDBOARD:

- Boxboard or boxes with food residue
- Pizza boxes
- Boxboard with waxy coating
- Milk and juice cartons with waxy coating
- Drink boxes

### GLASS:

- Broken glass jars or bottles
- Window or picture frame glass
- Glass cookware, bowls, drinking glasses
- Light bulbs
- Mirrors

### METAL:

- Foil
- Clothes hangers
- Wire
- Aerosol cans
- Drink boxes
- Bakeware / cookware

### PAPER:

- Paper cups, plates, bowls
- Paper towels or tissues
- Egg Cartons (paper fibers are too short)
- Wrapping paper / gift wrap
- Containers with food residue
- Soiled or wet paper
- Paper with waxy coating
- Take-out Containers

### PLASTIC:

- Plastic cups, plates, bowls
- Plastic forks, spoons, knives
- Plastic wrap
- Plastic food storage bags
- Plastic newspaper sleeves
- Plastic shopping bags (Plastic shopping bags accepted at Target, Cub, Environmental Center, and local thrift stores)

## FREE FREE FREE DISPOSAL OF:

- Fluorescent bulbs
- Paint, stain, varnish
- Yard / Garden Chemicals
- Auto Fluids and cleaners
- Rechargeable batteries
- Fingernail polish, remover
- Cereal, bread, produce bags

- Propane tanks
- Household cleaners
- Electronics
- Christmas lights
- Scrap metal
- Plastic bags

AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY  
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY  
(information provided on opposite page)

# OAKDALE ACHIEVES TOP LEVEL AS GREENSTEP CITY



(Pictured from left to right, Council Member Zabel, Mayor Reinke, Council Member Pulkrabek, Senior Community Development Specialist Hassebrook, and Council Member Landis, proudly display the Step 5 GreenStep awards and certificate. GreenStep recognizes energy reduction, increases in renewable energy efforts, and community-wide reductions in solid waste collected).

## FREE BUCKTHORN COLLECTION: You Pull It, We'll Pick It Up!

### Curbside Buckthorn Pickup Guidelines:

- Stack piles with cut ends aligned and facing the curb.
- Maximum pile size: 3.5 feet high, 3.5 feet wide, 20 feet in length.
- Piles must be accessible by a log loader truck and placed off of paved driveways.
- The City Forester has the right to inspect piles and reject those that do not comply with guidelines. Piles will be inspected on the Monday before your scheduled collection.
- Only buckthorn will be picked up.

Questions? Please call 651-730-2740

### CURBSIDE BUCKTHORN COLLECTION REQUEST FORM

Submit form to Oakdale Public Works, 1900 Hadley Avenue, Oakdale, MN 55128 by the Friday before your requested collection date

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated # of piles \_\_\_\_\_

#### Collection Date (please circle one):

September 18      October 2      October 16

I have read the guidelines for the Oakdale Curbside Buckthorn Collection Program as required to receive free collection service from the City and to ensure that the buckthorn is accessible by a log loader truck. I understand that the City is not responsible for repairing damage to turf that may occur in the process of loading the piles.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## COMMUNITY MEMBERS DISCUSS DRINKING WATER SETTLEMENT

On July 31, the community was invited to an open house, hosted by the City, to learn more about the 3M drinking water settlement.

Information was presented on updated studies from the Environmental Protection Agency and Minnesota Department of Health, the formation of a multi-jurisdictional 3M Settlement Working Group, and the City's well operations and water treatment facility. There was also ample opportunity to ask questions.

The presentation is available for viewing at [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us). Go to the "Community" tab, then "Resident", and select "Drinking Water". The video link can be found in the left-hand column.

Please contact Public Works Director Brian Bachmeier at 651-730-2730 if you have questions or would like more information.



## Thinking About Buying a Home in Oakdale?

These Resources Can Help!

### CITY OF OAKDALE RESOURCE

**Start Up Loan:** The City of Oakdale is partnering with Minnesota Housing to provide affordable mortgages to first-time homebuyers through the Start Up loan program. Start Up offers fixed interest rates and downpayment and closing cost loans up to \$15,000 for eligible first-time homebuyers. Buyers can purchase homes in Oakdale that cost up to \$328,200.

First-time homebuyers can get started by contacting participating lenders in the Oakdale area. Visit [www.mnhousing.gov](http://www.mnhousing.gov) for a full list of approved lenders, current interest rates, and program eligibility.

### MORE HOMEBUYER RESOURCES

**Homebuyer Education:** If you're planning to purchase a home, completing a homebuyer education is a great place to start. Homebuyer education is available through in-person or online classes. Visit the Homeownership Center website at [www.hocmn.org/buyingahome/homebuyer-education](http://www.hocmn.org/buyingahome/homebuyer-education) to find the class schedule and location that works for you.

**Two Rivers Community Land Trust:** A private local nonprofit that provides permanently affordable homeownership opportunities for qualifying individuals and families in Washington County. Visit [www.tworiversclt.org](http://www.tworiversclt.org) to learn more.

## OAKDALE POLICE OFFICER GRANTS NEW LIFE TO RESCUE DOG

Pete recovering from injuries sustained from a previous owner.

When Oakdale Police Officer Charlie Nelson reported to duty one night in early May of 2017, his shift started with meeting a Pitbull named Petey. Just hours prior to their meeting, Petey was removed from his home after an investigation of abuse complaints were received. He was transferred to an emergency animal clinic to be treated for extensive wounds inflicted by his owner.

Charlie and Petey bonded immediately, and Charlie made daily visits to Petey while he was recovering. After going through an administrative hearing process, Petey became property of the City and was then surrendered to Hillcrest Animal, where he became eligible for adoption. Approximately three weeks after being rescued, Charlie and his wife, Jessy, officially made Petey a part of their family.



Pete is all smiles with his new family!



Once in his new "forever" home, Charlie discovered a new potential in Petey. Charlie and Jessy's other dog, Ginger, had been serving as a therapy dog for Canine Inspired Change, a nonprofit organization that connects and empowers vulnerable youth through the healing power of dogs. After seeing Petey's progress, Charlie realized that he, too, would be a good candidate to be a therapy dog. On July 9, 2018, Petey passed a required temperament test and officially became a therapy dog and ambassador for his breed. Petey will primarily be working with nursing homes, memory care units, and hospice care facilities that partner with Canine Inspired Change, starting this fall.



2018

# OAKDALE AREA BUSINESS SHOWCASE

OACC  
OAKDALE AREA  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

CITY OF  
OAKDALE

# OCTOBER 28

11am-3pm

Oak Marsh Golf Course Club House  
526 Inwood Ave. N, Oakdale, MN

## HALLOWEEN FUN!

Trick-or-Treating at every booth. Kids are welcome to wear costumes.

Food  
Available

Face  
Painting

Exhibitor  
Booths

Balloon  
Artistry  
by Mandana



Contact Jodi Christensen for Booth Registration  
651.773.4738 | [jchristensen@lakeelmobank.com](mailto:jchristensen@lakeelmobank.com)

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**OAKDALE**  
RECREATION

program guide  
**FALL-WINTER 2018**



**Recreation Superintendent**  
Julie Williams  
651-747-3867  
julie.williams@ci.oakdale.mn.us

**Recreation Coordinator**  
Nathan Timmons  
651-747-3872  
nathan.timmons@ci.oakdale.mn.us

**Administrative Assistant**  
Laura Linzmeyer  
651-747-3860  
laura@ci.oakdale.mn.us

General Inquiries.....651-747-3860  
Parks Maintenance....651-730-2740

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

**HIRING:**  
**Ice Rink Attendants.** \$11/hour.  
Season runs mid-December through February (weather permitting). Job descriptions and applications at 4444 Hadley Avenue or [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us). Apply by November 9.

**Class Instructors.** Do you have a special skill, interest, knowledge, or hobby you'd like to share with others? *Professional certification is not required; passion and enthusiasm are a must!* The Recreation Department is always looking for enthusiastic leaders and new class ideas that help meet the needs of learners of all ages, stages, abilities and interests. Proposals are accepted throughout the year. Please contact Julie at 651-747-3867 for complete details.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

The Recreation Department offers scholarships for Oakdale residents who might need financial assistance to participate in the city's 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.

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT HOURS

Monday to Friday  
8 AM to 4:30 PM

## OAKDALE 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

## FIND US ON THE WEB

[www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com)  
Facebook: Oakdale MN Recreation

## SIGN UP FOR MONTHLY RECREATION UPDATES

Go to:  
[www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com)  
Select: "How Do I" at top of page  
Select: "Sign Up For"  
Select: "Notifications"  
Select: Recreation Department Updates!

## ADOPT A PARK

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

The process is easy!  
Go to:  
[www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us)  
Select: "How Do I" at top of page  
Select: "Sign Up For"  
Select: "Adopt a Park"

Or call the Parks Department at 651-730-2740.

## ADOPT A PARK PROGRAM



## ATHLETIC ASSOCIATIONS

These organizations operate separately from Oakdale Recreation.

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

**North Stars Skate School**  
Skating lessons. Ages 3 to adult.  
651-501-3667

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

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

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

**Saint Paul – Ramsey County Horseshoe Club** 651-808-3812 or [www.sprchorseshoeclub.weebly.com](http://www.sprchorseshoeclub.weebly.com)

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

**Tartan Junior Olympic Volleyball**  
Girls ages 9-18. [www.tartanjuniorsvb.wixsite.com/tjovb](http://www.tartanjuniorsvb.wixsite.com/tjovb)

**Tartan Youth Wrestling**  
Boys from K-8. 612-965-6000 or [edelacy@comcast.net](mailto:edelacy@comcast.net)

## CONNECTING THE GENERATIONS

*Are you a senior who needs a job done around the house?  
Are you a teen who wants to help others in the community?*

Seniors, we'll match you up with a teen (13 to 18 years old) who you can contact to do your project, such as yard work, shoveling snow, etc.

Teens, we'll match you up with a senior who would like help with jobs around the house such as yard work, shoveling snow, etc. *Great opportunity to gain work experience, job references, and/or completion of service hours!*

*Please call 651-747-3860 for more information or to sign up!*

## **BOOK & MOVIE SWAP**

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. Even exchange: books for books and DVDs for DVDs. (No VHS tapes can be accepted).

## **DISCOVERY BACKPACKS**

Stop at the Discovery Center and check out one of our “Discovery Backpacks.” Inside the packs you will find everything needed to for an exploration into the adjacent Oakdale Nature Preserve. Seek out animal tracks, identify different types of trees and flowers, go on a scavenger hunt, use binoculars to bird watch or catch a glimpse of deer, fox, and owls that call the Nature Preserve home. Backpacks are even equipped with GPS units!

## **EDER ONE-ROOM SCHOOLHOUSE**

Eder School was built in 1888; it closed in 1920 and became a storage shed until it was moved to the Oakdale Nature Preserve in 2004 and restored by the Oakdale-Lake Elmo Historical Society. It is now operated by the Washington County Historical Society. Please visit [www.wchsmn.org](http://www.wchsmn.org) for contact and tour information.

## **NORDIC WALKING**

Using Nordic Walking poles can turn an ordinary walk into a total body exercise that delivers far more motivating results *and* makes walking more fun! Poles, resembling ski poles, are used to involve the upper extremities when you walk, toning and firming every major muscle at the same time. Poles offer rubber tips for use on pavement while reducing the impact of the hard surface. Stop by the Discovery Center during regular business hours to check out a pair of our Nordic Walking Poles *at no cost!* Simply present a photo ID and then walk away! Adult sizes only.

## **SCAVENGER HUNT**

Head out on the trails in the Oakdale Nature Preserve for a scavenger hunt *and* the chance to win a brand new selection of prizes! First, stop at the front desk at the Discovery Center before October 31 and ask for your free scavenger hunt guide. Brand new prizes awarded when you find all the items on the list! Prizes are age 12 and under appropriate.

## **WINTER WALKING**

During the winter season, the asphalt/paved trails in the Oakdale Nature Preserve are cleared after each snowfall event to accommodate winter walking. However, snow that accumulates on the boardwalk will not be cleared.

## **MUTT MITTS and DOG LEASHES**

For your convenience, city parks offer Mutt Mitts to easily collect and dispose of your dog’s waste when you’re on your walk. For the enjoyment of all who walk, ride, or live in our parks, owners are reminded of the requirement to hold onto your leashed dog at all times in parks, especially when visiting the Oakdale Nature Preserve.



## **DISCOVERY CENTER ART GALLERY**

The art gallery at the Discovery Center has a long tradition of showcasing the creations of dozens of local artists and artisans, featuring a different artist each month. The gallery is open Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays: 8 AM to 4:30 PM; Thursdays: 8 AM to 8 PM; Saturdays: 12 to 4 PM; and Sundays: 1 to 4 PM.

## **UPCOMING FEATURED ARTISTS**

<b>OCTOBER:</b>	Sandy Beach	Multi-Media 3D Collage
<b>NOVEMBER:</b>	Susan Solomon	Gouache Paintings
<b>DECEMBER:</b>	Jeanne Dziuk	Photography
	Mary Johnson	
	Terri Hibbard	
<b>JANUARY:</b>	Alice Savitski	Mixed Media and Found Objects

Want to be a featured artist? Contact Laura at 651-747-3866 or [laura@ci.oakdale.mn.us](mailto:laura@ci.oakdale.mn.us).

## **DISCOVERY CENTER ART FAIR**

Discover the perfect gift while submerging yourself into local displays of talent and skill as artists and crafters come together for one amazing fair right in Oakdale! Find a variety of artwork and crafts -- available for purchase -- including paintings, photography, woodworking, jewelry, pottery, and more.

A “Kid’s Art Korner” allows kids an opportunity to try out their own artistic talent.

Don’t miss this opportunity to bring home something special while you discover and are inspired by the work of those in your community!

Date: Saturday, November 3

Time: 10 AM to 5 PM

Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

Cost: *Free to browse!*

**ROAD TRIP:  
“Teen Idol: The Bobby Vee Story”  
St. Paul History Theater  
Thursday, November 29**

The Year: 1959. With the tragic crash of Buddy Holly's plane, a bright new star from Fargo emerged. Fifteen-year-old Bobby Vee performed at the Winter Dance Party in Moorhead the “day the music died.” Vee went on to record his first hit single, “Suzie Baby,” in Minneapolis and became a teen idol. He appeared on American Bandstand with Dick Clark, and became an international star who thrilled audiences for more than a decade with Top 40 hits. Hear “Devil or Angel,” “The Night Has a Thousand Eyes,” “Come Back When You Grow Up Girl,” and many more. Follow Vee's musical journey that includes fellow pop stars like Little Anthony & The Imperials, Ronnie & The Ronettes, Dion, and Del Shannon.

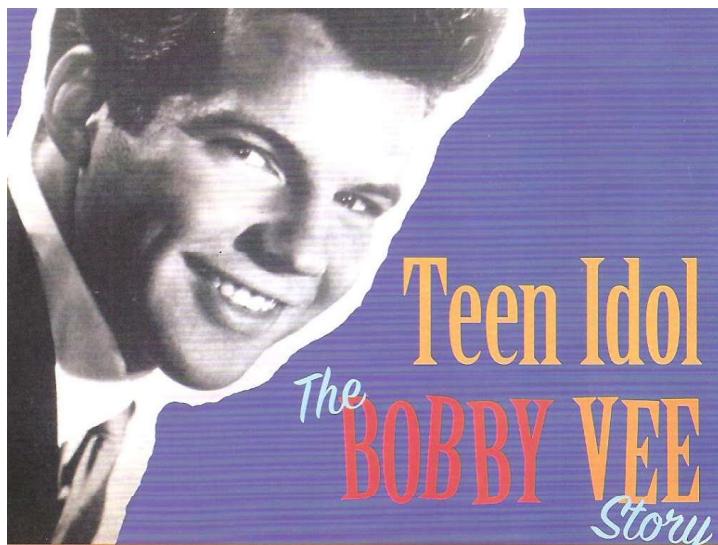
You're going to love this blockbuster, hit musical, holiday treat!

After the performance it's off to Burger Moe's for lunch. *Please choose your entrée and malt when registering:* Classic burger with lettuce and tomato (prepared medium well); Salmon burger topped with roasted red peppers, green onions and citrus dill sauce; or Grilled chicken sandwich with lettuce and tomato. All entrees served with fries and a malt. Malt Flavors: Chocolate, Strawberry or Caramel.

Depart: 9 AM Walton Park Band Shell Parking Lot  
Return: Approximately 3 PM  
Cost: \$75 per person. Includes transportation, performance, lunch, and tour director  
Activity Level: Easy

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

*Please register by October 30*



**ROAD TRIP:  
“Miracle on Christmas Lake”  
Yellow Tree Theatre, Osseo  
Wednesday, December 19**

Soap opera star, Colin Avery, returns to his Minnesota roots to take over the Christmas Lake Community Theater after his father dies. Colin's new wife, Tess, a city girl with zero tolerance for mosquitoes, comes along for the ride, only to find the theater on the verge of bankruptcy! After losing the rights to “It's a Wonderful Life,” they race to come up with another play. With piano tuner and Little House fanatic, Neil Gunderson, and lizard-loving massage therapist, Martha Knutson as the only cast members, hilarity ensues as this unlikely bunch scramble to save the beloved theater. There's true love and off-key Christmas carols, lutefisk, and naked pot bellies, and best of all, unexpected miracles happen.

A ridiculous, mad cap holiday farce, guaranteed to tickle the funny bone of lutefisk-eating Minnesotans everywhere!

Lunch prior to the performance at the Claddagh Irish Pub and Restaurant in Maple Grove. *Please choose your entrée when registering:* Fish 'n Chips: battered cod, seasoned pub chips, and coleslaw; Chicken Caesar Salad: grilled chicken romaine, Parmesan, croutons; Shepherd's Pie: ground beef, lamb, root vegetables, peas, tomato gravy, mashed potatoes, soda bread; or Jameson Burger: 100% Ground beef, Jameson whiskey glaze, Guinness beer cheese, onion straws, brioche bun.

Depart: 11:20 AM Walton Park Band Shell Parking Lot  
Return: Approximately 5 PM  
Cost: \$72 per person. Includes transportation, performance, lunch, and tour director  
Activity Level: Easy

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

*Please register by November 16*



**All adult trips depart from the Walton Park parking lot west of City Hall, next to the band shell. Please park in this lot upon arriving.**

Kidcreate Studio's award-winning art classes allow kids to explore art in an environment full of giggles and grins. Kids create fridge worthy masterpieces while learning art concepts and experimenting with different art materials. Curriculum is age appropriate and designed to inspire. Classes provide a fun, self-esteem building atmosphere full of "I did it" moments. Making a mess is the best with Kidcreate Studio! For more information about Kidcreate Studio visit [www.kidcreatestudio.com](http://www.kidcreatestudio.com). *Deadline is one week prior to program.*

### **CANDY-LICIOUS THANKSGIVING CRAFTS** **ages 4 to 9 years**

Do you need a little more time to get your turkey stuffed? Sign your kids up for some art fun and get your last-minute cooking done. The kids will start celebrating Thanksgiving early by creating a Thanksgiving scene made out of "sweet" art supplies, including candy! This project will be a wonderful addition to any Thanksgiving table! This is a great class for siblings to attend together.

Date: Wednesday, November 21  
Time: 9:30 to 11:30 AM  
Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley  
Cost: \$29 per child  
Register by November 14



### **INSANE SLIME** **ages 4 to 9 years**

Sign up for this popular class! It's silly and slimy and insanely fun. Messy time is one of our most popular activities, and that's exactly what we'll be doing all class long! We'll get silly with silly putty, messy with muck and so much more! This is going to be a messy one, so please dress your child appropriately.

Date: Friday, November 30  
Time: 9:30 to 11:30 AM  
Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley  
Cost: \$29 per child  
Ages: 4 to 9 years  
Register by November 23



### **GRANDPARENT and ME: NEMO'S WORLD** **ages 18 months to 6 years**

Come to class and create an underwater world that your little grand-guppy will be excited to explore! The kids might even recognize a few fish friends from Finding Nemo in the underwater world they create. This project even glows-in-the-dark! Come ready to get messy while you play right along with your grandchild. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Date: Friday, December 28  
Time: 9:30 to 10:30 AM  
Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley  
Cost: \$18 per child  
Register by December 21

**KIDCREATE STUDIO**  
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### **FALL STORY TIME** **FOR PRESCHOOLERS**

Katelyn from the Oakdale Library will be visiting the Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue, for a series of special preschool story times!

We'll have fun talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing together.

We will focus on concepts such as counting, colors, sharing, emotions, patterns, and the alphabet. A simple craft will follow.

This is a free program recommended for developmental ages 0 to 5 and their grown-ups.

Wednesday, September 19  
10:30 AM Shapes & Numbers

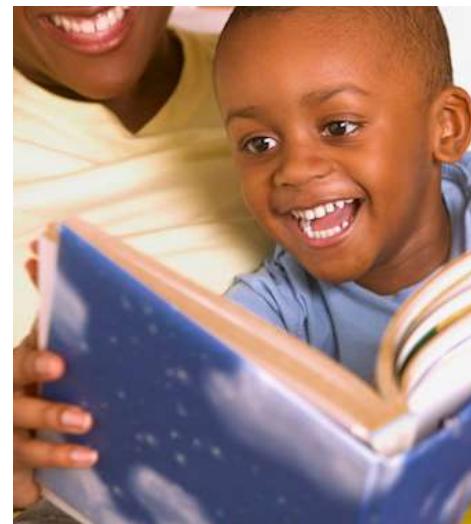
Wednesday, October 17  
10:30 AM Kadir Nelson

Wednesday, November 21  
10:30 AM Bats

Wednesday, December 19  
10:30 AM Peace

Wednesday, January 16  
10:30 AM Snow

*Please call 651-747-3860  
to reserve your spots!*





On Fridays, the Recreation Department offers a wide variety of fun and educational nature programs for children ages 3 to 6.

Children participate in discussions, play games, watch DVDs, and create projects for each themed program. Critter Club kids like to go outside, so please dress for the weather!

When: Fridays, 9:30 to 11 AM  
Ages: 3 to 6 (child must be potty trained)  
Cost: \$7 per child / per session  
Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

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

## **October 12: Harvest Hoedown**

Harvest time brings to mind lots of things – orange pumpkins, bushes of apples, scarecrows, squash and Indian corn. Learn all about this fantastic fall harvest!

## **October 19: In Search of Woolly Bears**

In the fall, you'll see these thumb sized caterpillars crawling out of gardens, over lawns, even across highways. The Woolly bear becomes the Isabella moth, a member of the tiger moth family. In the end the "bear" turns into a "tiger!"

## **November 2: Web Weavers**

We'll read the "*Very Busy Spider*" and learn all about these amazing critters and how they spin their magical webs. We'll even make our own sparkly webs!

## **November 16: Goodbye Autumn, Hello Winter**

Leaves have fallen, frost is creeping across the windows, and animals huddle together to stay warm. Join us as we say "goodbye" to autumn and "hello" to winter.

## **December 7: Trim the Tree Day**

Our annual tree decorating day! Join us as we make homemade ornaments to decorate our tree at the Discovery Center. You'll get to take ornaments home for your tree too!

## **December 21: Hoot! Hoot!**

We'll learn all about the mysterious nighttime creature, the owl, and learn lots of fun facts. Did you know even though owls have large eyes they don't have eyeballs? Join us for a "hooting" good time. We'll even dissect an owl pellet.

## **January 11: Ponds in Winter**

It's winter in the pond. Let's "dive" under the ice and see what goes on. From dragonflies, ducks, pollywogs and frogs, let's discover how they survive.

## **January 25: Squirrel Tales**

Join us as we read "*Nuts to You*," and learn how Bushy Tail makes his home in the woods or in your backyard.

## DANCE CLASSES

Legacy Dance Studio is family owned and has been operating in Oakdale since 1998. Their curriculum stresses ballet technique as the base for all dancers. Legacy offers tap, jazz, lyrical, and hip hop for 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.

*Please register through Legacy Dance Studio,  
Bergen Plaza, 7157 10th Street, Oakdale  
651-735-9216*

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

## CINDERELLA'S DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

For the first time *ever*,  
Princess Elena of Avalor will host  
the Daddy-Daughter Princess Ball!  
Join Once Upon A Star's Elena,  
Princess Anna from FROZEN,  
Snow White, and one surprise  
princess for an enchanting evening  
with your favorite adult date.

We'll enjoy a craft, princess snack,  
dancing and royal fun. All "couples"  
will have a photo taken with your  
date with next-day proof access.  
Adults – please bring your camera for  
memorable photo opportunities . . .  
including a group-princess photo  
with your little princess!

Date: Friday, September 28  
Time: 6:30 to 8 PM  
Cost: \$31 per couple  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue  
Ages: 3 to 8 years old,  
recommended,  
with adult date

*Please register by September 21*

<b>Tots (18mon-2yr) Creative Movement/Tumbling</b> <u>\$32.00 monthly</u> Monday 6:00-6:30pm Wednesday 5:00-5:30pm Saturday 10:00-10:30am	<b>3-4 1/2yr old Tap &amp; Ballet</b> <u>\$52.00 monthly</u> Monday 6:30-7:30pm Wednesday 5:30-6:30pm Thursday 5:00-6:00pm	<b>4 1/2 -5yr old Tap &amp; Ballet</b> <u>\$52.00 monthly</u> Monday 5:00-6:00pm Tuesday 5:30-6:30pm
<b>Int. 5-6yr old Tap &amp; Ballet</b> <u>\$52.00 monthly</u> Tuesday 6:30-7:30pm	<b>Beg. 6-8yr old Tap &amp; Ballet</b> <u>\$52.00 monthly</u> Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm Saturday 10:30-11:30am	<b>Int. 6-8yr old Tap, Jazz &amp; Ballet</b> <u>\$63.00 monthly</u> Thursday 6:00-7:30pm
<b>Int. 8-10yr old Tap, Jazz &amp; Ballet</b> <u>\$63.00 monthly</u> Monday 5:00-6:30pm Thursday 6:00-7:30pm	<b>Future Stars Tap, Jazz &amp; Lyrical (pre-competition)</b> <u>\$84.00 monthly</u> Thursday 5:00-7:00pm	<b>Beg. 9-12yr old Tap, Jazz &amp; Ballet</b> <u>\$63.00 monthly</u> Thursday 7:00-8:30pm
<b>Int. 11-13yr old Tap, Jazz &amp; Ballet</b> <u>\$63.00 monthly</u> Thursday 7:30-9:00pm	<b>Teens (14+ yr old) Tap, Jazz &amp; Lyrical</b> <u>\$63.00 monthly</u> Monday 6:30-8:00pm	<b>Dancing Dads</b> <u>January – June Only</u> Friday 7:30-8:30pm
<b>11yr+ Hip Hop</b> Tuesday 5:30-6:30pm	<b>All Stars (boys only) 7-13yr old</b> <u>\$40.00 monthly</u> Friday 6:30-7:30pm	<b>Adult Tap Class</b> Tuesday 7:00-8:00pm
<b>6-10yr Hip Hop</b> Saturday 11:00-12:00pm	<b>Beg. Leaps &amp; Turns</b> Tuesday 4:30-5:30pm	<b>Adv. Leaps &amp; Turns</b> Thursday 5:00-6:00pm

## BALLET

<b>Ballet Basic 1</b> Friday 6:30-8:00pm	<b>Ballet Level 2/3</b> Monday 4:45-6:15pm Wednesday 6:45-8:15pm Saturday 9:00-10:30am	<b>Beg. Pointe</b> Wednesday 6:00-6:45pm <b>Int/Adv. Pointe</b> Wednesday 8:15-9:00pm
<b>Ballet Basic 2</b> Monday 6:15-7:45pm Wednesday 4:30-6:00pm	<b>Ballet Academy Rehearsal</b> Saturday 12:30-2:30pm	
<b>Ballet Level 1</b> Wednesday 4:30-6:00pm Saturday 10:30-12:00pm	<b>Pilates &amp; Yoga Class</b> Wednesday 6:00-6:45pm	

## COMPETITION LINE

Comp lines will compete in 3-4 regional competitions and attend 1-2 conventions throughout the season.

<b>Little Lites Tap/Jazz/Ballet 5-6yr old</b> Thursday 4:30-6:00pm	<b>Mn Motion Competitive Hip Hop</b> Tuesday 6:30-8:00pm	<b>Rising Stars 7-8yr old</b> Tuesday 5:30-7:00pm Friday 4:45-6:15pm
<b>Junior Comp Line</b> Tuesday 4:30-6:30pm Friday 5:30-7:00pm	<b>Boy/Girl</b> Saturday 9:00-10:30am	<b>Teen Comp Line</b> Monday 6:30-8:30pm Thursday 6:00-7:30pm
<b>Mini-Motion Hip Hop</b> Saturday 9:30-11:00am	<b>Junior Co. Small Group</b> Tuesday 6:30-8:00pm	<b>Teen Co. Small Group</b> Thursday 7:30-9:00pm
<b>Production</b> (Select Saturdays) 3:00-6:00pm		

## FAMILY FUN FLATABLES

Come to Walton Park for a full day of jumping, bouncing, diving, and running around a sea of inflatables! There will be inflatables for all ages, ranging from bounce castles, obstacle courses, and a 40-foot giant slide! Plus, a children's band will perform and there will be great food available!

Date: Saturday, September 15

Time: 11 AM to 4 PM

Place: Walton Park, 15th Street and Hadley

Cost: FREE!

**THANK YOU SPONSORS!** *World Around Us Child Care, Oakdale Wesleyan Church, Salon Ultimo, Woodbury Spine Wellness Center, Larry Eberhard - Keller Williams Realty, Tartan Youth Hockey Association, Oakdale Athletic Association, Oakdale Recreation, Maplewood - Oakdale Lions Club, American Legion Post 39, and Parkview Chiropractic*

## FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT

Join us for a fun night with family or friends (up to 5 people) bowling at PINZ in Oakdale.

Date: Friday, October 12

Time: 6:30 to 8 PM

Place: PINZ Oakdale, 7520 32nd Street

Cost: \$60 per lane; includes 1.5 hours of bowling, shoe rental for all bowlers, one large pepperoni pizza and pitcher of soda with a free refill

*Please register by October 5; space is limited*

*When registering, please indicate the number of bowlers per lane.*

## 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 ice cream sundae while shouting out BINGO! Prizes are awarded to winners of every game; every participant is 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 welcome!

Date: Sunday, December 9

Time: 1 to 3 PM

Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

Cost: \$8 per person

*Please register by November 30*

## DOG SLED DAY

The Samoyed - not just another pretty face. The Samoyed is a working dog, bred for sledding and herding reindeer!

We will welcome the Samoyed Association of Minneapolis - St. Paul for a dog sled day. This will be an informational program, with a meet and greet with the dogs, and with time permitting, dog sled riding! All dog lovers welcome! *Samoyeds only at event.*

Date & Time: TBD\*

Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

Cost: FREE!



*\*Event date and time will be posted at [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com) and on Facebook at Oakdale MN Recreation. Call 651-747-3860 to reserve your spot!*

## PICKLEBALL

Join the Oakdale Pickleball Club for a game of pickleball! All are welcome during the open court play. Equipment is provided or bring your own. To learn more, please contact Chuck Scott @ 651-439-5307.

Check out the new courts at Tanners Park (Tanners Park Road, south of 7th Street) open through October at these times:

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

**Check out the  
new courts at  
Tanners Park!**

# FLASHLIGHT PUMPKIN HUNT

Search for pumpkins under the stars in the Oakdale Nature Preserve! After the hunt, enjoy chilling refreshments, spooky entertainment, ghoulish games, a bonfire, and family-friendly DJ. Costumes are optional, but don't forget your flashlight!

Date: Thursday, October 25  
 Time: 7 to 8:30 PM  
 Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley  
 Ages: Up to 12  
 Cost: \$12 per person  
 Parents attend for free

*All participants receive a glow necklace at check-in!*

*Please register by October 18*



# PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

**Calling all pumpkin carvers!** We are hosting a pumpkin carving contest as part of our Flashlight Pumpkin Hunt! The pumpkins will be displayed at the event and attendees will vote. The contest is open to carvers of all ages/skill levels. Prizes will be awarded in three categories: Best, Spookiest, and Pumpkin Pumpkin (ages 12 and under). All entries must be family friendly. *Participants, please drop off your creations at the Discovery Center from October 22 to 24 during regular business hours.*

# BEST SNOW SCULPTURE OF OAKDALE CONTEST

Calling all creative Oakdale families! Do you have what it takes to create the best snow sculpture in the city? If so, head outside anytime after a snowfall and start creating your masterpiece! Sculptures will be judged on appearance, relative to the season's theme.

**THIS YEAR'S THEME IS  
 "SUPERHERO SNOW SCULPTURE"**

*Winning sculpture  
 will receive a  
 \$100 Marcus  
 Theater gift card!*

Submit entries (photo) to [nathan@ci.oakdale.mn.us](mailto:nathan@ci.oakdale.mn.us) by March 29. The winner will be contacted by April 1 by Oakdale Recreation staff.



2017  
 Contest Winner:  
 Summer at  
 the Beach

## Write Santa a Letter!

Watch for Santa's magical red mailboxes to appear at the Discovery Center and at City Hall soon after Thanksgiving!

Write Santa a letter and let him know whether you have been a little naughty or a lot NICE and include your wish list!

Deposit your letter into the mailbox by December 17. Please include your full name, age, and address in your letter.

## VISIT FROM SANTA

Santa is planning another special visit to Oakdale on December 6. He'll travel through town on an Oakdale Fire truck covered in twinkling lights!

To make Santa's special visit extra special, bundle up and make plans to welcome him at one of these stops:

6 to 6:15 PM  
 North Fire Station, 5000 Hadley

6:20 to 6:35 PM  
 Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley

6:40 to 6:55 PM  
 Hadley Avenue & Eberle Park

7:00 to 7:15 PM  
 Hadley Avenue & Stillwater Blvd

7:20 to 7:35 PM  
 Oakdale City Hall, 1584 Hadley



Outdoor skating rinks are located throughout the city and offer general skating and hockey facilities. Weather permitting, rinks are scheduled to open in late December and close for the season in late February.

The following guidelines will be used to determine outdoor rink closures: if temperatures soften the ice to create unsafe skating conditions (estimated temperatures of 37 degrees or higher may cause rink closure), when actual temperature reaches minus 10 degrees or wind chill temperature reaches minus 25 degrees, or if more than three inches of snow accumulates on the ice at times when maintenance crews are not available.

## **Maintained, Supervised Rinks with Heated Warming Houses**

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

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

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

Hours: Monday through Friday	4 to 8 PM
Saturdays	12 to 8 PM
Sundays	12 to 7 PM

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

**COMPLIMENTARY  
HOT CHOCOLATE  
AT WALTON PARK PLEASURE  
RINK WARMING HOUSE!**



## **WINTER BREAK & HOLIDAY HOURS**

December 24	12 to 4 PM
December 25	CLOSED
December 26	1 to 8 PM
December 27	1 to 8 PM
December 28	1 to 8 PM
December 29	12 to 8 PM
December 30	12 to 7 PM
December 31	12 to 4 PM
January 1	CLOSED
January 21	1 to 8 PM
February 18	1 to 8 PM

## **Maintained, Unsupervised Rinks No Warming House Available**

**Eastside Park** - Helmo Avenue

*Map of rink locations at [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com)*

For rink updates, please check Facebook at Oakdale MN Recreation or [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com).

**TARTAN ARENA INDOOR RINK  
- OPEN SKATING -  
740 Greenway Avenue 651-714-9251**

Offered most Sundays from 1 to 3 PM, when the arena is open. \$6 per person. Buy one, get one free admission every 1st and 3rd Sunday! (open skating may be canceled without notice)

[www.isd622.org/tartanarena](http://www.isd622.org/tartanarena)





## FARMERS MARKET

City Hall Parking Lot  
15th and Hadley  
WEDNESDAYS 2 to 6 PM  
Last market of the season:  
October 3

Fresh produce, honey, jams, pumpkins, apples, salsas, granola, baked goods, sweets, meat, coffee, and more!



## INDOOR GARAGE SALE

Discovery Center - 4444 Hadley  
SATURDAY, MARCH 23  
9 AM to 1 PM *No Early Birds!*

This community event is fun for collectors, families and bargain hunters alike. You'll find everything from children's clothing and toys to housewares, collectibles, tools, books and much more! Free to browse!

Rent two tables for only \$22!  
*Space is limited and fills up fast  
so please register by March 15.*

Sellers need to contain all their items to two tables, no racks

### Set up times:

Friday, March 22 from 4:30 to 8 PM  
Saturday, March 23 from 8 to 9 AM

SHOP  
LOCAL



Over 20 local vendors offer a unique variety of items including baked goods, jams, cheeses, meats, canned goods, sweets, salsas, strudels, jewelry, essential oils, and much more! Expect a full vendor list by late October, available at [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com).

*The Indoor Market is the perfect place to start your holiday shopping.*

Want to be a vendor? Contact [nathan@ci.oakdale.mn.us](mailto:nathan@ci.oakdale.mn.us)

## SNOWSHOE RENTAL

Bring your family and friends snowshoeing in the 220 acres of the Oakdale Nature Preserve. Watch for animal tracks as well as deer, fox, and birds!

Rates are \$5 per person for a two-hour rental.

Sizes available for both children and adults.

First come, first served. Reservations recommended for groups of six or more. Please call 651-747-3860.

Rentals available daily, beginning December 16 (pending snow conditions) at these times:

Monday through Friday:  
9 am to 4 PM

Saturdays:  
12 to 3:30 PM

Sundays:  
1 to 3:30 PM



## Wahoo! Adventures Presents

*Kerri Kolstad founded Wahoo! Adventures to coordinate a variety of fun outdoor experiences for people of all ages!*

### FULL MOON LUNAR ECLIPSE SNOWSHOE

Gather with others to watch the total lunar eclipse, also known as a blood moon, while enjoying snowshoeing. There will be a bonfire roaring as we enjoy hot chocolate, s'mores and watch the moon as it slowly disappears and turns red with totality at 10:41 PM.

Fee includes snowshoes, but you can also bring your own. Just let us know when you register whether you will need snowshoes, so we can save a pair. Light appetizers will be available inside the Discovery Center.

Date: Sunday, January 20

Time: 8:30 to 11 PM

Place: Oakdale Nature Preserve / Discovery Center

Cost: \$29 per person

*Please register by January 14*

### FAMILY SNOWSHOE WITH ICE LUMINARIES

Join us at the Oakdale Nature Preserve to enjoy the trails at night with the moon and stars overhead. We'll have one trail lit with ice luminaries to follow through the woods, but you can enjoy the whole park. Gather by the bonfire for hot chocolate and s'mores afterward. Fee includes snowshoes, but you can also bring your own. Just let us know when you register whether you will need snowshoes, so we can save you a pair. Bring a headlamp, dress in layers with sturdy boots.

Date: Saturday, January 26

Time: 6 to 7:30 PM

Place: Oakdale Nature Preserve / Discovery Center

Cost: \$15 per person

*Please register by January 18*

### SNOWSHOE, SIP & SAMPLE EVENT

Celebrate Valentine's weekend with friends, family, snowshoeing, and fun! This is a great way to enjoy winter! Join us for an evening that includes:

- Full Moon Snowshoeing
- Bonfire
- Appetizer sampling and food demonstration from Hy-Vee
- Locally crafted beer samples
- Wine samples selected by local experts at Bright Wines
- Vintage game room
- Prize drawings every 30 minutes

Date: Friday, February 15

Time: 7 to 10 PM

Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue

Cost: \$34 per person until February 1

\$40 per person after February 1 and at the door

American Red Cross trained instructors help develop water safety and swimming skills for all ages and abilities in a positive and fun learning environment.

## 30 minute classes

### PARENT/CHILD CLASSES

*(6 months–5 years with adult, child must wear swim diaper if not trained)*  
You will assist your child in developing water skills through games and play.

#### Parent/Tot 1 (6 months–2 years)

Develop water readiness through games and play.

#### Parent/Tot 2 (2–4 years)

Learn basic swim skills through group activities.

#### Parent/Tot 1 & 2 (6 months–4 years)

Develop water readiness, safety and basic swim skills.

#### Parent/Preschooler (3–5 years)

A graduate of Parent/Tot 2 or will put face under water. Children learn basic swimming techniques through drills and play.

## 55 minute classes

### LEARN-TO-SWIM CLASSES

*(6 years and older)*  
American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim classes help youth progress through 6 levels to learn fundamentals, master strokes, and increase endurance.

**Level 1 & 2: Fundamental Skills** Introduction to Water Skills—floating, gliding, leg and arm movements.

**Level 3: Stroke Development** Passed Level 2 or can jump in deep water, swim on front and back for 30 feet. Class skills include Front Crawl, introduction to Elementary Backstroke and deep water.

**Level 4: Stroke Improvement** Passed Level 3. Elementary Backstroke, Sidestroke, Butterfly kick.

**Level 5: Stroke Refinement** Passed Level 4. Increase endurance of all strokes. Breaststroke, Butterfly, and Sidestroke.

### Level 6: Personal Water Safety or Fitness Swimmer

Passed Level 5. 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.

## 30 minute classes

### PRESCHOOL CLASSES (4–5 years)

Your child will develop water skills through games and play without a parent in the pool.

#### Turtles (Preschool 1)

Child who will not put face in the water. Child will learn basic swim skills while increasing his/her comfort level.

#### Bobbers (Preschool 2)

Child will put face in the water and is comfortable in the water.

#### Super Kids (Preschool 3)

Child who can float on front and back and is ready to learn how to swim independently.

### PRIVATE and SEMI-PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS FOR CHILDREN and ADULTS

Instructor will customize each 30 minute lesson. Register online for private lessons. Call for additional times or to register 2 or more for semi-private lessons.

## REGISTER

- **Online:** [www.isd622.org/swim](http://www.isd622.org/swim)
- **Phone:** 651-748-7442
- **In person:** 2520 12th Ave E, N St Paul MN 55109

# SWIMMING

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## John Glenn Middle School – Fall Lessons

CLASS	Monday Oct 1–Nov 19		Wednesday Oct 3–Dec 5 (no class Oct 31, Nov 21)		Saturday Sept 29–Dec 8 (no class Oct 20, Nov 3, Nov 24)	
	Time	Class #	Time	Class #	Time	Class #
Parent/Tot 1	5:30 pm	SPT1A			9:00 am	SPT1B
Parent/Tot 2	6:00 pm	SPT2A			9:30 am	SPT2B
Parent/Tot 1 & 2			5:30 pm	SPT12A		
Parent/Preschooler	6:30 pm	SP1	6:00 pm	SP2	10:00 am	SP3
Turtles	5:30 pm	STU1	6:00 pm	STU2	9:00 am	STU3
Bobbers	6:00 pm	SB1	5:30 pm	SB3	9:30 am	SB5
Bobbers	6:30 pm	SB2	6:30 pm	SB4	10:00 am	SB6
Super Kids	6:30 pm	SSK1	6:30 pm	SSK2	10:00 am	SSK3
Level 1 and 2	5:30 pm	S1A	5:30 pm	S1C	9:00 am	S1E
Level 1 and 2	7:00 pm	S1B	6:30 pm	S1D	10:30 am	S1F
Level 3	7:00 pm	S3A	7:00 pm	S3B	10:30 am	S3C
Level 4	7:00 pm	S4A	7:00 pm	S4B	10:30 am	S4C
Private Lessons (8 - 30 min lessons \$184)			7:30 pm	SPJ1	11:30 am	SPJ6
					11:30 am	SPJ7
					11:30 am	SPJ8

## Skyview Community School – Fall Lessons

CLASS	Monday Oct 1–Nov 19		Tuesday Oct 2–Dec 11 (no class Oct 16, Oct 23, Nov 6)		Saturday Oct 6–Dec 8 (no class Oct 20, Nov 24)	
	Time	Class #	Time	Class #	Time	Class #
Parent/Tot 1 & 2			6:00 pm	SPT12B		
Bobbers			6:30 pm	SB7	1:00 pm	SB8
Level 1 and 2	6:00 pm	S1G	6:00 pm	S1J	9:30 am	S1L
Level 1 and 2	7:00 pm	S1H	7:00 pm	S1K	10:30 am	S1M
Level 1 and 2					1:00 pm	S1N
Level 3	6:00 pm	S3D	6:00 pm	S3E	10:30 am	S3G
Level 3			7:00 pm	S3F		
Level 4	6:00 pm	S4D	6:00 pm	S4E	9:30 am	S4F
Level 5	7:00 pm	S5A	7:00 pm	S5B	11:30 am	S5C
Level 6	7:00 pm	S6A	7:00 pm	S6B	11:30 am	S6C
Private Lessons (8 - 30 min lessons \$184)			<i>Swim programs on Tue, Wed &amp; Sat afternoons at Skyview are offered in partnership with the City of Oakdale.</i>		9:00 am	SPS1
					9:00 am	SPS2
					1:30 pm	SPS3

## Cardio Water Workout at Skyview Community School Pool

Increase cardiovascular endurance and muscular strength during this total body aquatic workout. No swimming ability is necessary. Walk-in rate is \$10 per class (check or exact cash preferred).

Class #SC1	Wednesday, Oct 3–Dec 5 (no class Oct 31, Nov 21)	7:00–8:00 pm	8 sessions	\$64
Class #SC2	Wednesday, Jan 16–Mar 6	7:00–8:00 pm	8 sessions	\$64

## GIRLS SWIM NIGHT OUT

Offered on select Friday nights at John Glenn School. Pool is open to girls and women only.

October 12  
November 9  
December 14  
January 18  
February 15  
March 22  
April 5  
May 10

Swimming - 6:30 to 8 PM  
Refreshments - 8 to 9 PM

Visit [www.isd622.org/swim](http://www.isd622.org/swim) for more details.

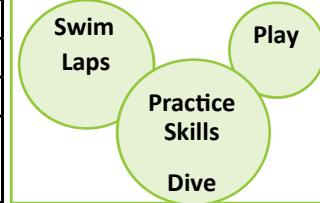
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Educational Equity

**FALL and WINTER OPEN SWIM and LAP SWIM**  
Saturdays at Skyview  
2-3:30 pm

**FALL Oct 6–Dec 8**  
(no class Oct 20, Nov 24)

**WINTER Jan 12–Mar 2**  
(no class Jan 26)

**Walk-in Rate:**  
Adults \$4  
Student/Child \$3  
Immediate Family \$10



## John Glenn Middle School – Winter Lessons

CLASS	Monday Jan 14–Mar 4 (no class Feb 18)	Wednesday Jan 16–Feb 27	Saturday Jan 19–Mar 2	
	7 Lessons \$63		7 Lessons \$63	
	Time Class #	Time Class #	Time Class #	
Parent/Tot 1	5:30 pm SWPT1A	6:00 pm SWPT1B	9:00 am SWPT1C	
Parent/Tot 2	6:00 pm SWPT2A	6:30 pm SWPT2B	9:30 am SWPT2C	
Parent/Preschooler	6:30 pm SWP1		10:00 am SWP2	
Turtles	5:30 pm SWTU1	5:30 pm SWTU2	9:00 am SWTU3	
Bobbers	5:30 pm SWB1	5:30 pm SWB3	9:00 am SWB5	
Bobbers	6:30 pm SWB2	6:30 pm SWB4	10:00 am SWB6	
Super Kids	6:00 pm SWSK1	6:00 pm SWSK2	9:30 am SWSK3	
Level 1 and 2	6:00 pm SW1A	6:00 pm SW1C	9:30 am SW1E	
Level 1 and 2	7:00 pm SW1B	7:00 pm SW1D	10:30 am SW1F	
Level 3	7:00 pm SW3A	7:00 pm SW3B	10:30 am SW3C	
Level 4	7:00 pm SW4A	7:00 pm SW4B	10:30 am SW4C	
Private Lessons (7 - 30 min lessons \$161)		5:30 pm SPWJ1	11:30 am SPWJ2 11:30 am SPWJ3 11:30 am SPWJ4	



## Skyview Community School – Winter Lessons

CLASS	Monday Jan 14–Mar 4 (no class Feb 18)	Tuesdays Jan 15–Mar 5 (no class Feb 26)	Saturday Jan 12–Mar 2 (no class Jan 26)	
	7 Lessons \$63		7 Lessons \$63	
	Time Class #	Time Class #	Time Class #	
Parent/Tot 2		6:00 pm SWPT2D		
Bobbers		6:30 pm SWB7	1:00 pm SWB8	
Level 1 and 2	6:00 pm SW1G	6:00 pm SW1J	9:30 am SW1L	
Level 1 and 2	7:00 pm SW1H	7:00 pm SW1K	10:30 am SW1N	
Level 1 and 2			1:00 pm SW1P	
Level 3	6:00 pm SW3D	6:00 pm SW3E	9:30 am SW3G	
Level 3		7:00 pm SW3F		
Level 4	6:00 pm SW4D	6:00 pm SW4E	10:30 am SW4F	
Level 5	7:00 pm SW5A	7:00 pm SW5B	11:30 am SW5C	
Level 6	7:00 pm SW6A	7:00 pm SW6B	11:30 am SW6C	
Private Lessons (7 - 30 min lessons \$161)			9:00 am SPWS1 9:00 am SPWS2 1:30 pm SPWS3	



## Water Workout at John Glenn Middle School Pool

Tone muscles while improving flexibility and endurance. The class includes stretching and a light, low-impact aerobic workout. Stairway access to pool. Walk-in rate is \$10 per class (check or exact cash preferred).

Class #SW1	Tuesday, Oct 2–Dec 4 (no class Oct 23, Nov 6)	7:30–8:30 pm	8 sessions	\$64
Class #SW2	Tuesday, Jan 15–Mar 5 (no class Jan 29)	7:00–8:00 pm	7 sessions	\$56

**VINYOGA**

ViniYoga is a therapeutic style of yoga which adapts to the needs of each student. Classes will include a blend of gentle yoga postures, breathing, and simple meditations to help the body build strength and flexibility while remaining steady and comfortable. Beginners are welcome as are those who have practiced yoga; all students are encouraged to move at their own pace. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat.

*Instructor: Jen Brandt*

**Tuesday Morning ViniYoga**

Session 1: October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
November 20, 27  
Session 2: December 4, 18,  
January 8, 15, 29  
Time: 9:30 to 10:30 AM  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Ave  
Cost: \$61 Session 1  
\$45 Session 2

**Wednesday Evening ViniYoga**

Session 1: October 3, 10, 17, 24,  
November 7, 14, 21, 28  
Session 2: December 5, 12, 19, 26  
January 2, 9, 16, 30  
Time: 5 to 6 PM  
Place: Discovery Center,  
4444 Hadley Ave  
Cost: \$69 Session 1  
\$69 Session 2

*Registration Deadline:  
One week prior to program*

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

**BE WELL WITH  
OAKDALE WELLNESS 50+**

Oakdale Wellness 50+ is a team of volunteers who strive to make Oakdale a healthier community. It offers health-focused activities for people aged 50 and older. Join as a participant, do more as a volunteer! Registration for dated events is requested: please call 651-747-3860 or contact [www.oakdalefun.com](http://www.oakdalefun.com)

**SENIOR FITNESS  
EVALUATIONS**

Sign up for future fitness evaluations and instruction. A six part fit test will be administered by the team, followed by a class to increase your strength, and a final evaluation to show you how well you have done. Contact [oakdalewellness50@yahoo.com](mailto:oakdalewellness50@yahoo.com) to sign up for this fitness opportunity.

**HONORING CHOICES:  
ADVANCED CARE  
PLANNING AND WHY  
IT'S IMPORTANT**

Talking about end-of-life care needn't be difficult, especially when conversations start when all is well. Advance care planning often includes a Health Care Directive—a written document that informs your family and physician of your preferences about life-sustaining treatments

and your wishes for medical care in case you are unable to make or communicate your decisions directly. Another approach is a Physician Orders for Non-Sustaining Treatment (POLST). This event should answer any questions you may have about advance care planning and how to start gathering information.

Date: Saturday, October 20  
Time: 10:30 AM to Noon  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

**WELLNESS SOCIAL**

It's time to get to know our Wellness community. This evening event will be casual and fun, with treats, games, and lots of time to socialize. *Stay tuned for more details.*

Date: Thursday, November 15  
Time: 5:30 to 7:30 PM  
Place: Discovery Center  
4444 Hadley Avenue

**WELLNESS BOOK CLUB**

Join this lively group discussion of books related to Wellness. Contact [oakdalewellness50@yahoo.com](mailto:oakdalewellness50@yahoo.com) for information about our upcoming books. All are welcome!

Date: Tuesday, November 27  
Time: 6:30 to 8 PM  
Place: Oakdale Library  
1010 Heron Avenue

O A K D A L E

Wellness 50+



# WINTER WONDERLAND

Saturday, December 15  
9 am to 1 pm  
Discovery Center - 4444 Hadley

Free!  
Free!  
Free!

Visit with Santa  
Horse-drawn Hayrides  
Meet & Greet the Dogs of Winter  
Petting Zoo  
Candy Cane Hunt  
Bonfire with S'mores  
Holiday Face Painting  
Holiday Craft Station  
Holiday Santa Train  
NEW: Snow Obstacle Course  
Breakfast & Lunch

Thank you to our sponsors:  
Oakdale Recreation, Platinum Bank,  
Oakdale Area Chamber of Commerce,  
and Maplewood/Oakdale Lions Club.

Please bring  
nonperishable  
food and/or  
toiletry items  
to Winter  
Wonderland  
for the local  
food shelf.

# YEAR OF FUN, PLAY, AND DISCOVERY!

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## PASS, PUNT & KICK COMPETITION ages 6 to 12

Come to Walton Park for a Sunday morning skills competition. Test your skills in the punting, passing, and kicking aspects of football. Scores will be tallied, and prizes will be rewarded to top finishers. All genders welcome! **Must pre-register.**

Age Groups: 6 to 7  
8 to 10  
11 to 12

Date: Sunday, October 14  
Time: 10 AM  
Location: Walton Park, 1584 Hadley Avenue  
Cost: \$5 per child

*Please register by October 8*

### Thinking About a Home Improvement Project? These Resources Can Help!

#### CITY OF OAKDALE RESOURCES

**Community Fix Up Fund Loan:** Offers affordable home improvement loans for households meeting income guidelines. The City of Oakdale partners with Lake Elmo Bank and MN Housing to offer low interest loans to qualifying Oakdale homeowners. To learn more, contact Jenni Blank with Lake Elmo Bank at 651-748-2288.

**Emergency Home Rehab Loan:** Offers affordable loans for households meeting income guidelines. Loans must be used to make emergency home repairs. For more information, contact Linnea Graffunder-Bartels at 651-730-2721 or linnea@ci.oakdale.mn.us .

**Housing Improvement Area (HIA) Loan:** Offers affordable loans to Homeowners Associations and Common Interest Communities in order to finance capital improvements for common areas. To learn more about this program, contact Linnea Graffunder-Bartels at 651-730-2721 or linnea@ci.oakdale.mn.us.

#### MORE HOMEOWNER RESOURCES

The City website hosts much more information about available community resources to help fix up your home. Visit [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us) and search "home rehab".



## INDOOR TENNIS LESSONS ages 4 to 12

Learn the basic fundamentals of tennis in this fun class! Skills taught include grip, stance, swing, and more in a fun and safe 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. The class is taught by Dan Stumpf, *North High School girl's tennis coach and the Hill Murray boy's coach.*

Dates: Mondays:  
October 29 November 5, 19, 26  
December 3, 17 January 7, 14  
Times: Ages 4 to 7: 6 to 6:45 PM  
Ages 8 to 12: 7 to 7:45 PM  
Place: Discovery Center, 4444 Hadley Avenue  
Cost: \$40 per child

*Please register by October 22*



Throughout the year, Oakdale Recreation plans or hosts over 150 programs and events! Many of these are Free Family Fun programs, such as:

- Community Walk
- Discovery Back Packs
- Family Fun Flatables
- Gardening Topics
- Family Skating Day
- ITS Truck
- Movie in the Park
- Outdoor Amphitheater Speaker Series
- Pop-Up Parks
- Santa's Fire Truck Visit
- Scavenger Hunt
- Snow Sculpture Contest
- Story Time
- Summer Concert Series
- Tandem Bikes
- Touch a Truck
- Tower Park Waterslide
- Wellness 50+
- Winter Wonderland

We wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for participating in our programs and events!  
*See you at the next one!*

## 5 WAYS TO PAY:

**ONLINE**

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

**MAIL**

4444 Hadley Avenue N,  
Oakdale, MN 55128

**FAX**

651-747-3861

**IN PERSON**

4444 or 1584  
Hadley Avenue

**DROP BOX**

4444 or 1584  
Hadley Avenue



# OAKDALE

## RECREATION

### CANCELLATIONS

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.

### EBROCHURES

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

### FOOD SHELF DONATIONS ACCEPTED

The North St. Paul Area Food Shelf strives to provide food to families every month. To help, the Recreation Department accepts donations all year long to help provide food to those in need, such as families with young children and the elderly.

### PROGRAM CONFIRMATIONS

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

### 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.

### REGISTRATION DEADLINES

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.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

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.

### 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.

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



**City of Oakdale**  
**1584 Hadley Avenue North**  
**Oakdale, MN 55128**  
**www.ci.oakdale.mn.us**  
**651-730-2704**

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# ECRWSS POSTAL PATRON

**FARMERS MARKET**  
15th and Hadley 2 to 6 PM  
Wednesdays until October 3

**FLASHLIGHT PUMPKIN HUNT**  
4444 Hadley Avenue  
Wednesday, October 25 7 to 8:30 PM  
Register by October 18 Find details inside.

**OAKDALE AREA BUSINESS SHOWCASE**  
Oak Marsh Golf Course Clubhouse  
Sunday, October 28 11 AM to 3 PM  
Trick or Treat at each booth! Find details inside.

**\$ FOR YOUR HALLOWEEN CANDY**  
All Family Dental, 1075 Hadley Avenue, will buy your unwanted candy as part of Operation Gratitude. They send it to persons serving in the military. Please drop off candy by November 9. Last year, over 100 pounds of candy was collected! *Thank you, All Family Dental!*

**INDOOR MARKET**  
4444 Hadley Avenue  
Opens November 10. Find details inside.

**WINTER WONDERLAND**  
4444 Hadley Avenue  
Saturday, December 15 9 AM to 1 PM  
Free family fun! Find details inside.

**RECYCLE HOLIDAY LIGHTS**  
1584 Hadley Avenue  
Recycle holiday lights at City Hall all year long.

**RECYCLE HOLIDAY TREES**  
December 26 to January 31 at 1900 Hadley.  
\$3 per tree. 7:30 AM to 3 PM, Monday-Friday.

**WEDNESDAY CARDS FOR SENIORS**  
4444 Hadley Avenue  
1 to 3 PM every Wednesday

**PAPER SHREDDING - DONATE SCHOOL SUPPLIES - TREE GIVEAWAY**  
Check the spring issue of the *Oakdale Update* for details about an event being held in April as part of the annual Arbor Day Tree Giveaway!

## THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT THE UPCOMING ELECTION

**Q. What are the hours for voting on November 6?**  
A. The polls open at 7 AM and close at 8 PM.

**Q. Do I need to register to vote each election year?**  
A. You only need to register if (1) your name or address has changed, (2) you have not voted in the past four years, or (3) if this is your first time voting. You can register ahead of time at [www.mnvotes.org](http://www.mnvotes.org) or you can register at your polling place on election day by providing the required proof of residency.

**Q. What's the best way to find out where I vote?**  
A. Enter your address at: <http://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us>, go to [www.ci.oakdale.mn.us](http://www.ci.oakdale.mn.us) "How Do I", "Find", "Election Information" or call 651-730-2704.

**Q. I used to be able to absentee vote at Oakdale City Hall. Would it be possible to do so this year?**  
A. Great news! Washington County has added Oakdale City Hall as its fifth in-person absentee voting location for the November 6 General Election. Voting begins September 21 and ends November 5. Other absentee voting locations are: Cottage Grove, Stillwater, Forest Lake, and Woodbury. Washington County residents may utilize any of these locations. Please note that Oakdale City Hall will not be a polling location on August 14 or November 6.

**Q. Can I still absentee vote by mail?**  
A. Yes, but be sure to submit your absentee ballot application as early as possible to allow time for you to mail in your ballot! Apply at [www.mnvotes.org](http://www.mnvotes.org) or call 651-430-6175 to request an application.

**Q. Which Oakdale offices will be on the ballot?**  
A. Voters will have the opportunity to vote for mayor (four year term), city council (two, four-year terms), and city council (one, two-year term). Persons elected will take office in January.

**Q. How do I learn more about the candidates running for mayor and city council?**  
A. The Oakdale Area Chamber of Commerce typically hosts a candidate's forum prior to the General Election. Watch the city's web site for information on date and time.