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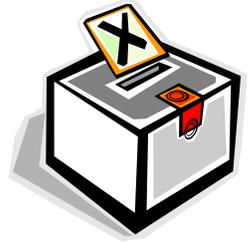
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Third Quarter 2010 Newsletter

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## Primary Election August 10, 2010



The Governor signed a bill this year which moved the Minnesota Primary Election from the second Tuesday in September to the second Tuesday in August to comply with the new federal law passed making absentee ballots available for 45 days prior to an election.

The absentee balloting period for the state primary is Jun. 25 - Aug. 9. State law allows eligible Minnesota voters to vote absentee either by mail or in person for one of the following reasons:

- Absence from the precinct (away from home)
- Illness or disability
- Serving as an election judge in another precinct
- Religious discipline

To vote absentee by mail, visit the secretary of state's Web site to download and print an absentee ballot application, or contact Washington County Elections Division at 651-430-6175 to obtain one. Voters can vote absentee in person during normal business hours at any Washington County Service Center.

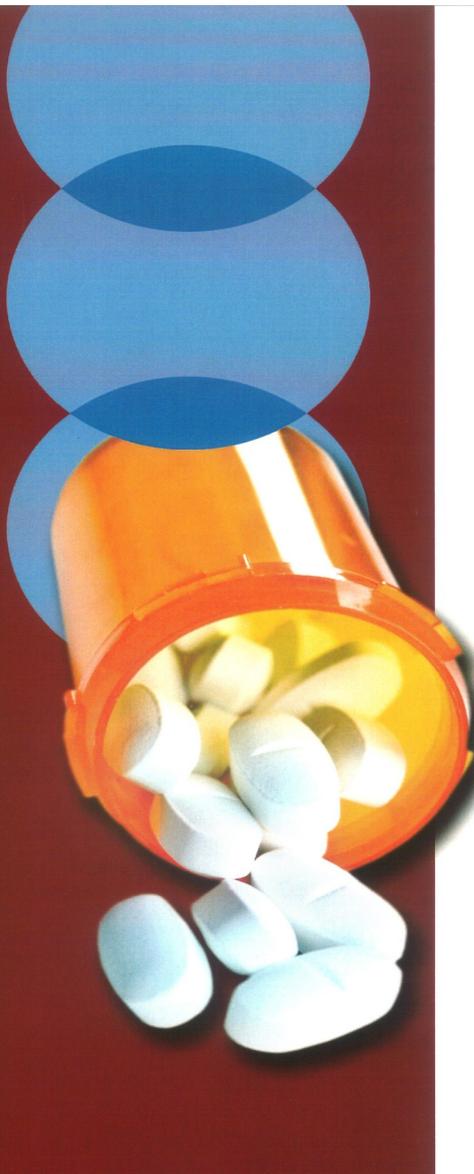
## City Hall facility update

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 the City made the official move from the old building to the New City Hall Building. Generally the move went smoothly and all operations remained "open-for-business" at all times. In the days following the move the old structure was abated for asbestos and was demolished. Much of the steel super-structure was salvaged for recycling as were many internal features such as the old Council dais, flagpole and some office furnishings.

At this point the building is being cooled by the fifty (50) wells installed that make up approximately one-half of the geothermal – system, thereby reducing energy use. The final 50 to 60 additional geothermal well fields are currently being installed which will improve overall heating and cooling efficiencies.

Final parking lots and driveways are anticipated to be installed in late July / early

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# Lower the Cost of Your Prescriptions. Start Saving Today!

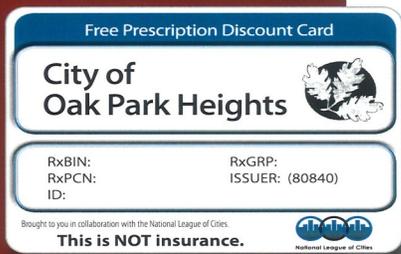
The **Prescription Discount Card** is easy to use and can be used any time your prescription is not covered by insurance.

The program includes:

- Average savings of 20%
- It's FREE, no enrollment or membership fees
- All family members are covered
- Even some pet prescriptions are covered
- No limit on how many times you use the card
- 9 out of 10 pharmacies accept the card



### Start Saving Today with the City of Oak Park Heights Prescription Discount Card



It's easy to get a card from the Internet, go to [www.caremark.com/nlc](http://www.caremark.com/nlc) and select 'Print a Card Now' and follow the easy steps.

**The City of Oak Park Heights Prescription Discount Card can be picked up at City Hall.**

**This is NOT insurance. Discounts are only available at participating pharmacies.**

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For more program information visit [www.caremark.com/nlc](http://www.caremark.com/nlc) or call toll-free **1-888-620-1749.**



## City Hall facility update

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August, with landscaping to follow thereafter. Unfortunately with the recent wet weather conditions, these schedules have been delayed.

The Project overall remains on budget and within reasonable timelines with the wet weather conditions factored-in. The site will however be accessed by temporary roadways through the end of summer.

The City has tentatively scheduled a formal OPEN HOUSE and dedication ceremony for Saturday October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010. In the interim residents are encouraged to stop by and see the facility at anytime. Please contact Eric Johnson, City Administrator at 651-439-4439 if you have any questions or would like a personal tour of the site.

## Summer watering ban

Summer is here! It is time to remind everyone that Oak Park Heights has an even-odd watering ban except for the watering of new sod and young trees. While the City's water supply is adequate, the regulation is intended to conserve water and balance demands on the City's water system.

To secure the conservation of municipal water as a resource for the benefit of the people of the City of Oak Park Heights, all water sprinkling and irriga-

tion systems and practices shall be regulated to allow water sprinkling and irrigation systems to operate in the following manner: as to all properties which property address ends in an even number, those properties will be allowed to sprinkle or irrigate on even numbered calendar days. As to all properties whose property address ends in an odd number, their right to use sprinkling and irrigation systems shall be limited to calendar number days ending in odd numbers.

## Reserve a city park shelter

Are you thinking about having a get-together or a family reunion? The Brekke, Valley View, and Autumn Hills Park shelter buildings can be reserved free of charge for your event. The Autumn Hills Park Shelter does require a refundable \$100 deposit.

Brekke Park is located on Omar Avenue south of the former St. Croix Mall. The park has a covered shelter building with restrooms as well as a tot lot, baseball diamonds, playground equipment, and barbeque grills.

Valley View Park is located on Osgood Avenue at the edge of the city limits. This park has a covered shelter building, picnic areas, play-grounds and a beautiful passive park area with trails, a prairie restoration area and wetlands.

Autumn Hills Park is located at 5697 Norwich Parkway off of 58th Street adjacent to the Boutwells Landing campus. The park contains meandering trails, trail access parking, and playground equipment. It has a 2,000+ square foot shelter, which includes a covered gathering area with a small kitchen/serving area, men's and women's restrooms, and a water fountain.

You may use the City's online reservation form to reserve either the Brekke Park or Valley View Park shelters. You may obtain the Autumn Hills Park Shelter reservation documents and information online as well. Or, you may call or visit City Hall anytime to reserve any of the shelters for your next event!

## Attention Pet Owners

### Leash Law Reminder

The City of Oak Park Heights has a leash law in effect that prohibits pets from running at large. Any dog or cat that is off the premises of the owner and not under the physical control (by leash or by voice) of the owner or another designated person is in violation of this Ordinance.

When you are out walking your pet, please remember to bring a plastic bag. Pet owners are required by City Ordinance to clean up pet waste on public and private property. Removal and proper disposal of pet waste helps keep our City clean and healthy.

### Pet Licenses

All dogs and cats in the City for more than 30 days are required to have a City Pet License. There is no charge for this service and it could save your pet from a trip to the animal shelter. Bring proof of your pet's rabies vaccination to City Hall to receive a pet license and tag. For more information, please call City Hall at 651-439-4439. City Ordinances can be viewed on the City's website: [www.cityofoakparkheights.com](http://www.cityofoakparkheights.com).

## What's included in trash pickup?

In addition to the typical garbage and recycling pickup, the City also covers the disposal of yard waste, five foot rolls of used carpeting, large household items, and 'white-goods' such as televisions, refrigerators, couches, chairs, desks, water-heaters, stoves, dishwashers, dryers, etc. for single family residences and complexes with four units or less in Oak Park Heights. In order to have these items picked up in a timely fashion, please contact Judy Tetzlaff at City Hall, 651-439-4439, at least two days prior to collection day so that the special truck may be dispatched to your home. If you receive a bill from Veolia for these additional services, please call the City Administrator at 651-439-4439 as most, if not all, of these items are covered under the City's contract, and you should not be billed.



Some items are not included in your monthly fee are extra bags of garbage not placed in your container. The City's waste hauler, Veolia, will bill you \$1.50 per bag. Some other items that are picked up for a fee are sinks, toilets and construction debris. You will be billed by Veolia at a regulated rate as monitored by the City.

### REMINDER!!

Waste and Recyclable pick-up is every THURSDAY, unless the week contains one of the six holidays – New Years Day, Memorial Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. During those weeks, collection will fall on FRIDAY.

# 2009 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

## CITY OF OAK PARK HEIGHTS



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### 2009 Drinking Water Report

The City of Oak Park Heights is issuing the results of monitoring done on its drinking water for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2009. The purpose of this report is to advance consumers' understanding of drinking water and heighten awareness of the need to protect precious water resources.

#### Source of Water

The City of Oak Park Heights provides drinking water to its residents from a groundwater source: two wells ranging from 290 to 310 feet deep that draw water from the Jordan aquifer.

The water provided to customers may meet drinking water standards, but the Minnesota Department of Health has also made a determination as to how vulnerable the source of water may be to future contamination incidents. If you wish to obtain the entire source water assessment regarding your drinking water, please call 651-201-4700 or 1-800-818-9318 (and press 5) during normal business hours. Also, you can view it on line at [www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/swa](http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/swa).

Call Andrew Kegley, Public Works Director at 651.439.4439 if you have questions about the City of Oak Park Heights drinking water or would like information about opportunities for public participation in decisions that may affect the quality of the water.

#### Results of Monitoring

No contaminants were detected at levels that violated federal drinking water standards. However, some contaminants were detected in trace amounts that were below legal limits. The table that follows shows the contaminants that were detected in trace amounts last year. (Some contaminants are sampled less frequently than once a year; as a result, not all contaminants were sampled for in 2009. If any of these contaminants were detected the last time they were sampled for, they are included in the table along with the date that the detection occurred.)

Key to abbreviations:

**MCLG**—Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**MCL**—Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**AL**—Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirement which a water system must follow.

**90th Percentile Level**—This is the value obtained after disregarding 10 percent of the samples taken that had the highest levels. (For example, in a situation in which 10 samples were taken, the 90th percentile level is determined by disregarding the highest result, which represents 10 percent of the samples.) Note: In situations in which only 5 samples are taken, the average of the two with the highest levels is taken to determine the 90th percentile level.

**pCi/l**—PicoCuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity).

**ppm**—Parts per million, which can also be expressed as milligrams per liter (mg/l).

**ppb**—Parts per billion, which can also be expressed as micrograms per liter (µg/l).

**N/A**—Not Applicable (does not apply).



Contaminant (units)	MCLG	MCL	Level Found		Typical Source of Contaminant
			Range	Average/Result*	
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	1.1-1.4	1.3	State of Minnesota requires all municipal water systems to add fluoride to the drinking water to promote strong teeth; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from fertil-
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	10	10	2.9-3	3	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.

Contaminant (units)	Level Found		Typical Source of Contaminant
	Range (2009)	Average/Result*	
Radon (pCi/l) (10/04/2005)	N/A	317	Erosion of natural deposits.

\*This is the value used to determine compliance with federal standards. It sometimes is the highest value detected and sometimes is an average of all the detected values. If it is an average, it may contain sampling results from the previous year.

Radon is a radioactive gas which is naturally occurring in some groundwater. It poses a lung cancer risk when gas is released from water into air (as occurs during showering, bathing, or washing dishes or clothes) and a stomach cancer risk when it is ingested. Because radon in indoor air poses a much greater health risk than radon in drinking water, an Alternative Maximum Contaminant Level (AMCL) of 4,000 picoCuries per liter may apply in states that have adopted an Indoor Air Program, which compels citizens, homeowners, schools, and communities to reduce the radon threat from indoor air. For states without such a program, the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) of 300 pCi/l may apply. Minnesota plans to adopt an Indoor Air Program once the Radon Rule is finalized.

Contaminant (units)	MCLG	AL	90% Level	# sites over AL	Typical Source of Contaminant
Copper (ppm) (09/22/2008)	N/A	1.3	.23	0 out of 20	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.
Lead (ppb) (09/22/2008)	N/A	15	4	0 out of 20	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. City of Oak Park Heights is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.



Some contaminants do not have Maximum Contaminant Levels established for them. These unregulated contaminants are assessed using state standards known as health risk limits to determine if they pose a threat to human health. If unacceptable levels of an unregulated contaminant are found, the response is the same as if an MCL has been exceeded; the water system must inform its customers and take other corrective actions. In the table that follows are the unregulated contaminants that were detected:

Contaminant (units)	Level Found		Typical Source of Contaminant
	Range	Average/ Result	
Sodium (ppm) (09/04/2007)	N/A	6	Erosion of natural deposits.
Sulfate (ppm) (09/04/2007)	N/A	7.32	Erosion of natural deposits.

#### Compliance with National Primary Drinking Water Regulations

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

*Microbial contaminants*, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

*Inorganic contaminants*, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

*Pesticides and herbicides*, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.

*Organic chemical contaminants*, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.

*Radioactive contaminants*, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

***Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.***

## Washington County Environmental Center

Did you know that residents can drop-off household hazardous waste, electronics, and recyclables for free at the new Washington County Environmental Center? The Center is located at 4039 Cottage Grove Drive in Woodbury, near the intersection of Manning and Bailey Road, just 4 miles south of I-94. The Center replaces the Hazardous Materials Collection Site in Oakdale, which permanently closed in 2009.

Many common household items can be hazardous to you and the environment if not used up or dis-

posed of properly. Common products that need to be brought in to the Environmental Center include paint, stains, and varnish; automotive fluids such as used motor oil, antifreeze and gasoline; yard and garden products such as insect and weed killers; common household items such as oven cleaner, fluorescent bulbs, and aerosol cans; and electronics such as TVs and computers.

For location, hours and materials accepted go to [www.co.washington.mn.us/envirocenter](http://www.co.washington.mn.us/envirocenter).

## Free Product Room

Don't need it? Someone might! Did you know that some of the items you drop-off at the Environmental Center might be stocked in the *Free Product Room* for other residents to pick up, free of charge?

The *Free Product Room* is located inside of the Washington County Environmental Center at 4039 Cottage Grove Drive in Woodbury. Products set out in the *Free Product Room* are first screened for quality. Some of the more popular items are paint and stain. If you are on a tight budget, you might just find the color you were looking for and there's no cost to you. Other popular products set out in the *Free Product Room* are lawn & garden products and automotive fluids.

For hours and location go to [www.co.washington.mn.us/envirocenter](http://www.co.washington.mn.us/envirocenter)

### City Meetings (subject to change)

City Council:  
2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:00  
p.m.

Planning Commission:  
Typically the 2nd Thursday at  
7:00 p.m.

Parks Commission:  
3rd Monday at 6:30 p.m.

Agendas and Minutes are  
posted on the City's website:  
[www.cityofoakpark  
heights.com](http://www.cityofoakparkheights.com)

## Second quarter utility bills

Utility bills for the second Quarter of 2010 (April—June) will be mailed to residents soon and are due August 9, 2010.

Auto pay is available. With auto pay, there is no need to waste time writing and mailing a check. Paying your utility bill electronically allows you to save time and money on stamps and late fees. The amount you owe on your utility bill is automatically withdrawn from the account you designate on the billing due date each month. You will continue to receive your bill so that you know the date and amount to be withheld from your account.

If you are interested in participating, please call or stop by City Hall to obtain an enrollment form. The form is also available on the City's website, under City Information, Forms & Handouts. Call Judy Tetzlaff at City Hall, 651-439-4439, if you have questions.

## Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)

Emerald ash borer (EAB) has not yet been confirmed in Washington County. Everyone with ash trees should be examining them for signs of EAB activity. Small "D"-shaped exit holes, bark cracking, epicormic sprouts at the base of the tree, top dieback and EAB iridescent green adults (1/2 in. long) are all signs or symptoms of EAB attack. If larvae are present there may be a lot of woodpecker activity particularly in the top half of the tree. Woodpecker feeding damage to bark has

actually been the way that infestations were found in St. Paul and Minneapolis.

If you have any ash trees which are dying from the top down, or you see any other signs of EAB activity, please contact the OPH Arborist.

\*\* Do not move ash wood (bark-intact branches, trunk sections or firewood) from one area to another, as this is the major way that emerald ash borer can be easily spread.

### *Tree Problems?*

*If you are an Oak Park Heights resident, and have a problem with a tree or shrub, such as an insect or a disease, have planting questions, or just want to have a plant identified, call Dr. Kathy Widin, the OPH Arborist, at 439-4439 Ext. 1106. She can either answer your question over the phone or make an appointment for a site visit. This service is paid for by the City of Oak Park Heights.*



## Structured Removal and Replacement of Ash Trees

The removal of 50 ash trees from boulevard and park areas was completed last March. These trees will be replaced in late August with a variety of tree species to help slow the spread of emerald ash borer, once it arrives in the city. An additional 50 trees will be identified this summer for removal this fall and replacement in May 2011. If you have an ash tree on the boulevard near your home, that is doing poorly, please contact the Arborist to inspect it for possible removal as part of this program. The removal and replacement of more than half of these trees is being funded by an Emerald Ash Borer Planning and Preparedness Grant from the Minn. Dept. of Agriculture.

## Oak Wilt

Due to insect transmission of the oak wilt fungus, oaks should not be wounded or pruned from April 1<sup>st</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup>. In fact it is best to not wound or prune oaks at all during the growing season. Wounds made on oaks during the spring and summer should be painted with latex paint or shellac to make the wounds less attractive to insects. If you think that you may have a tree with oak wilt, please contact the Arborist to take a look.

## Tree City USA

The City of Oak Park Heights recently received the Tree City, USA award designation for 2009 from the National Arbor Day Foundation in Nebraska. To be a Tree City, USA, cities must show a commitment to their public and private

trees via tree planting, maintenance and education. There will be a ceremonial tree planting for this award at the "Party in the Park" celebration in August. This is the 27<sup>th</sup> year that the city has received this award.

### **2010 July/August Park Activities Schedule**

All events are free! Look over the following schedule, and mark the dates on your calendar. Please check the City's website for further updates on summer programming in the parks.

July 6

Crafts in the Park - all ages, children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult: Flower Pot Decorating at Autumn Hills Park from 10 am to 12 pm. Pre-registration is appreciated. Email gzeuli@q.com with the number and ages of children attending.

July 13

Crafts in the Park - all ages, children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult: T-Shirt Art at Autumn Hills Park from 10 am to 12 pm. Pre-registration is appreciated. Email gzeuli@q.com with the number and ages of children attending.

July 20

Explore the Park: Monarch Butterflies - all ages, children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult: Learn about Monarchs, how to raise one from a caterpillar to butterfly. Autumn Hills Park from 10 am to 12 pm. Pre-registration is appreciated. Email gzeuli@q.com with the number and ages of children attending.

July 27

Crafts in the Park - all ages, children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult: Stepping Stones at Autumn Hills Park from 10 am to 12 pm. Pre-registration is appreciated. Email gzeuli@q.com with the number and ages of children attending.

July 29

Family Movie in the Park: come to Autumn Hills Park for an outdoor movie! Free face painting begins at 7:30 pm, movie begins at dark, and popcorn/beverages available for purchase.

August 3

Crafts in the Park - all ages, children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult: Beading at Brekke Park from 10 am to 12 pm. Pre-registration is appreciated. Email gzeuli@q.com with the number and ages of children attending.

August 3

Party in the Park - all ages. Join us from 5 to 7 pm for free food, fun and prizes. There will be free face painting, balloon animals, and live music.

August 10

Nature in the Park - all ages, children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult: Come to Brekke Park from 10 am to 12 pm for a live animal presentation.

August 17

Crafts in the Park - all ages, children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult: Pottery and Ceramic Art at Brekke Park from 10 am to 12 pm. Pre-registration is appreciated. Email gzeuli@q.com with the number and ages of children attending.

## Oak Park Heights Police Files

From the desk of Chief Brian DeRosier



Recently there has been an increase in popularity of the use of a marijuana "substitute." There is a product being marketed to the marijuana culture as a legal substitute for marijuana. The substance is marketed as incense in area smoke shops and on the internet. The substance is marketed under many different names Spice, Genie, Blaze, Red X Dawn and Zohai and many, many others, but the most common name used for it is K2. The drug slang meaning behind K2 is that it is the nickname for the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest mountain in the world and thus the 2<sup>nd</sup> "high."

The reason I want to make you aware of this substance as a parent or user is there have been many cases of this substance being used and causing medical problems. The substance has been linked to seizures, rapid heart rate, loss of consciousness, paranoia, hallucinations, and other issues. This is a dangerous substance as the medical ramifications are not readily known at this time, as well as the physical dangers of using the substance and then driving, boating, swimming, walking into traffic while having a hallucination etc.

The substance is leafy or plant like with chemicals and other plants added to it. It appears at this time the "recipe" is as varied as the manufacturers. Persons using this substance are smoking it as they would with traditional marijuana, as well as burning it for incense and inhaling the smoke. At this time in MN it is a legal product as marketed for incense. If you have a child or person using this substance please stop them for their safety. We have already run into this substance in OPH. There have been several medical emergencies related to its use. You can turn the substance into the OPH P.D. If you have a question or find this or another possible drug, or prescription medicine you want to dispose of please contact us.

### 2010 July/August Park Activities Schedule Continued

August 21

Science in the Park - all ages, children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Come to Autumn Hills Park from 10 am to 12 pm to learn about science and conduct some experiments!

August 24

Nature Walk and Art Hike - all ages, children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Valley View Park 10 am to 12 pm. Pre-registration is appreciated. Email gzeuli@q.com with the number and ages of children attending.

August 26

Family Movie in the Park: come to Autumn Hills Park for an outdoor Movie! Free face painting begins at 7:30 pm, movie begins at dark, and popcorn/beverages available for purchase.

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## OAK PARK HEIGHTS ENERGY FAIR AT PARTY IN THE PARK

Tuesday, August 3, 2010, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Brekke Park

New to the Party in the Park - the first ever Energy Fair! This Fair is made possible from a grant from the State of Minnesota Office of Energy Security and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The focus of the Energy Fair is energy efficiency and conservation. Local corporations such as Xcel Energy and Andersen Corporation will also be present highlighting their energy efficiency programs. The Minnesota Chamber of Commerce's Energy Smart Program and others will also be in attendance. If you are interested in energy efficient cars Stillwater Motors will be on hand with an energy efficient vehicle. You can even learn how the new City Hall was constructed to be energy efficient.

In addition to the information, come out and test your energy knowledge with Energy Trivia! In an effort to promote energy efficiency and conservation, if you attend the fair you will receive one FREE energy efficient CFL light bulb per household, while supplies last. If you bring a used light bulb you can exchange it for two FREE energy efficient CFL light bulbs per household, while supplies last. These offers are only for residents of Oak Park Heights. Stop by the energy fair table that day for more information. Come, learn and join in the fun!

### CITY SEEKING INPUT ON PARK AND TRAIL ISSUES

Visit the City's website, [www.cityof oakparkheights.com](http://www.cityof oakparkheights.com), to participate in a resident survey on various issues relating to the City parks and trail system. The City needs your input to help to ensure that its parks and trails are meeting your needs. Your response to the survey questions would be greatly appreciated and very valuable.

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