



City of Oak Park Heights

Tree City USA

Summer 2018 Newsletter

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Oak Park Heights designated as a Tree City USA and receives growth award

Oak Park Heights was named a 2017 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation for the 36th year in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. The City also received a Tree City USA Growth Award for the 5th year for demonstrating environmental improvement and higher level of tree care. Oak Park Heights achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita, and an Arbor Day Proclamation.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters. Trees provide multiple benefits to a community when properly planted and maintained. They help to improve the visual appeal of a neighborhood, increase property values, reduce home cooling costs, remove air pollutants, and provide wildlife habitat, among many other benefits.



May 21, 2018 Ceremonial Arbor Month and Tree City USA Tree Planting. Pictured from left to right: Parks Commissioners Tony Weyer, Hal Peterson, Randy Thoreson, Aaron Bye, and Judith Chirhart.

More information about the program is available at www.arborday.org/TreeCityUSA

The City of Oak Park Heights is on Facebook!

Find and "Like" the City of Oak Park Heights on Facebook to receive up-to-date information on events, meetings, programs, and city news.



Buckthorn V. Goats

The City will be partnering with two private property owners to attempt a buckthorn control project in Valley View Park by bringing in goats. Recent general experience with goats is that they apparently prefer the buckthorn trees and their green foliage and can be an effective tool for initial clearing.



Buckthorn is a very aggressive invasive species that dominates much of the City's public and private wooded areas and is consistently in need of control and removal. Such removal and control is expensive and labor intensive. Over time if not removed, buckthorn will crowd out other native trees, and forests will be lost.

Only about a half acre will be impacted with this effort and no play areas, parking areas or other picnic areas are expected to be impacted. The effort is planned for July or August, depending on final schedules. The goats, an estimated herd of 12-20, will be fenced off and tended to by the hired contractor. We are happy to answer any questions and look forward to seeing results.

Plan a National Night Out block party—Tuesday, August 7

What is National Night Out? National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. This year, National Night Out falls on Tuesday, August 7. For more information on National Night Out, please visit www.natw.org.

Why plan a block party? Block parties are simply a great way to meet your neighbors! They provide a casual relaxed setting where residents can meet, play, eat, and hopefully find similarities that bring them closer together. Neighborhood meetings are great places to discuss business and issues, but tend to be formal and less conducive to meeting new people. With a little effort and consistency, a neighborhood of strangers can be transformed into a connected community of families that care for each other and the overall health and vibrancy of their neighborhood. You and your neighbors can actually increase the safety of your neighborhood just by getting to know each other. You can exchange telephone numbers and keep an eye on each other's property. Block parties allow for neighbors to come together and address key issues in their neighborhood that need to be attended to. By working together, your group can successfully take care of problems that are affecting the neighborhood.

We hope you plan to have a National Night Out party on Tuesday, August 7. Oak Park Heights Police Officers are available to stop by your party. If you would like an Oak Park Heights Police Officer to visit your party, please contact the Oak Park Heights Police Department at 651-439-4723 in advance to schedule. If you want to have your party at a City park, please contact City Hall at 651-439-4439 to reserve a park shelter. Have fun!

2017 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT CITY OF OAK PARK HEIGHTS

PWSID: 1820020



2017 Drinking Water Report

Making Safe Drinking Water

Your drinking water comes from a groundwater source: two wells ranging from 290 to 310 feet deep, that draw water from the Jordan aquifer.

Oak Park Heights works hard to provide you with safe and reliable drinking water that meets federal and state water quality requirements. The purpose of this report is to provide you with information on your drinking water and how to protect our precious water resources.

Contact Andrew Kegley, Public Works Director, at 651-439-4439 or akegley@cityofoakparkheights.com if you have questions about Oak Park Heights's drinking water.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency sets safe drinking water standards. These standards limit the amounts of specific contaminants allowed in drinking water. This ensures that tap water is safe to drink for most people. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulates the amount of certain contaminants in bottled water. Bottled water must provide the same public health protection as public tap water.

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.

Oak Park Heights Monitoring Results

This report contains our monitoring results from January 1 to December 31, 2017. We work with the Minnesota Department of Health to test drinking water for more than 100 contaminants. It is not unusual to detect contaminants in small amounts. No water supply is ever completely free of contaminants. Drinking water standards protect Minnesotans from substances that may be harmful to their health.

Learn more by visiting the Minnesota Department of Health's webpage [Basics of Monitoring and Testing Drinking Water in Minnesota](http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/factsheet/com/sampling.html): www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/factsheet/com/sampling.html

How to Read the Water Quality Data Tables

The tables below show the contaminants we found last year or the most recent time we sampled for that contaminant. They also show the levels of those contaminants and the Environmental Protection Agency's limits. Substances that we tested for but did not find are not included in the tables.

We sample for some contaminants less than once a year because their levels in water are not expected to change from year to year. If we found any of these contaminants the last time we sampled for them, we included them in the tables below with the detection date.

We may have done additional monitoring for contaminants that are not included in the Safe Drinking Water Act. To request a copy of these results, call the Minnesota Department of Health at 651-201-4700 or 1-800-818-9318 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.



Definitions

- ◆ **AL (Action Level):** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- ◆ **EPA:** Environmental Protection Agency
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **Level 1 Assessment:** A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
- ◆ **Level 2 Assessment:** A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.
- ◆ **MRDL (Maximum residual disinfectant level):** The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- ◆ **MRDLG (Maximum residual disinfectant level goal):** The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- ◆ **NA (Not applicable):** Does not apply.
- ◆ **NTU (Nephelometric Turbidity Units):** A measure of the cloudiness of the water (turbidity).
- ◆ **pCi/l (picocuries per liter):** A measure of radioactivity.
- ◆ **ppb (parts per billion):** One part per billion in water is like one drop in one billion drops of water, or about one drop in a swimming pool. ppb is the same as micrograms per liter ($\mu\text{g/l}$).
- ◆ **ppm (parts per million):** One part per million is like one drop in one million drops of water, or about one cup in a swimming pool. ppm is the same as milligrams per liter (mg/l).
- ◆ **PWSID:** Public water system identification.
- ◆ **TT (Treatment Technique):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- ◆ **Variances and Exemptions:** State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Water Quality Data Tables

Contaminant (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA's Action Level	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG)	90% of Results Were Less Than	No. of Homes with High Levels	Violation	Typical Sources
Copper (06/07/17)	90% of homes less than 1.3 ppm	0 ppm	0.18 ppm	0 out of 20	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing.
Lead (06/07/17)	90% of homes less than 15 ppb	0 ppb	2.8 ppb	1 out of 20	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing.

Contaminant	EPA's Limit (MCL)	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG)	Number of Test Results with E. coli	Number of Treatment Technique Exceedances	Violation	Typical Sources
Total coliform bacteria	TT	N/A	N/A	2	NO	Naturally present in the environment



Contaminant (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA's Limit (MCL)	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG)	Highest Average or Highest Single Test Result	Range of De- tected Test Results	Violation	Typical Sources
Nitrate	10.4 ppm	10 ppm	3.3 ppm	2.90 - 3.30 ppm	NO	Runoff from fertiliz- er use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.

Substance (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA's Limit (MCL)	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG)	Highest Average or Highest Single Test Result	Range of Detected Test Results	Violation	Typical Sources
Fluoride	4.0 ppm	4.0 ppm	0.69 ppm	0.55 - 0.75 ppm	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive to pro- mote strong teeth.

Potential Health Effects and Corrective Actions (If Applicable)

Fluoride: Fluoride is nature's cavity fighter, with small amounts present naturally in many drinking water sources. There is an overwhelming weight of credible, peer-reviewed, scientific evidence that fluoridation reduces tooth decay and cavities in children and adults, even when there is availability of fluoride from other sources, such as fluoride toothpaste and mouth rinses. Since studies show that optimal fluoride levels in drinking water benefit public health, municipal community water systems adjust the level of fluoride in the water to a concentration between 0.5 to 1.5 parts per million (ppm), with an optimal fluoridation goal between 0.7 and 1.2 ppm to protect your teeth. Fluoride levels below 2.0 ppm are not expected to increase the risk of a cosmetic condition known as enamel fluorosis.

Total coliform bacteria: During the past year one Level 2 assessments were required to be completed for our water system. One Level 2 assessments were completed. In addition, we were required to take two corrective actions and we completed both of those actions.

Total coliform bacteria: During the past year we were required to conduct one Level 1 assessment(s). One Level 1 assessment(s) were completed. In addition, we were required to take zero corrective actions, but the issue was fixed.

Some People Are More Vulnerable to Contaminants in Drinking Water

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. The developing fetus and therefore pregnant women may also be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water. These people or their caregivers should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Learn More about Your Drinking Water

Drinking Water Sources

Minnesota's primary drinking water sources are groundwater and surface water. Groundwater is the water found in aquifers beneath the surface of the land. Groundwater supplies 75 percent of Minnesota's drinking water. Surface water is the water in lakes, rivers, and streams above the surface of the land. Surface water supplies 25 percent of Minnesota's drinking water.

Contaminants can get in drinking water sources from the natural environment and from people's daily activities. There are five main types of contaminants in drinking water sources.

- **Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses, bacteria, and parasites. Sources include sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, pets, and wildlife.
- **Inorganic contaminants** include salts and metals from natural sources (e.g. rock and soil), oil and gas production, mining and farming operations, urban stormwater runoff, and wastewater discharges.



- **Pesticides and herbicides** are chemicals used to reduce or kill unwanted plants and pests. Sources include agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and commercial and residential properties.
- **Organic chemical contaminants** include synthetic and volatile organic compounds. Sources include industrial processes and petroleum production, gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- **Radioactive contaminants** such as radium, thorium, and uranium isotopes come from natural sources (e.g. radon gas from soils and rock), mining operations, and oil and gas production.

The Minnesota Department of Health provides information about your drinking water source(s) in a source water assessment, including:

- How Oak Park Heights is protecting your drinking water source(s);
- Nearby threats to your drinking water sources;
- How easily water and pollution can move from the surface of the land into drinking water sources, based on natural geology and the way wells are constructed.

Find your source water assessment at [Source Water Assessments](http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/swa/) (www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/swa/) or call 651-201-4700 or 1-800-818-9318 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Lead in Drinking Water

You may be in contact with lead through paint, water, dust, soil, food, hobbies, or your job. Coming in contact with lead can cause serious health problems for everyone. There is no safe level of lead. Babies, children under six years, and pregnant women are at the highest risk.

Lead is rarely in a drinking water source, but it can get in your drinking water as it passes through lead service lines and your household plumbing system. Oak Park Heights provides high quality drinking water, but it cannot control the plumbing materials used in private buildings.

Read below to learn how you can protect yourself from lead in drinking water.

1. **Let the water run** for 30-60 seconds before using it for drinking or cooking if the water has not been turned on in over six hours. If you have a lead service line, you may need to let the water run longer. A service line is the underground pipe that brings water from the main water pipe under the street to your home.
 - * You can find out if you have a lead service line by contacting your public water system, or you can check by following the steps at: Are your pipes made of lead? Here's a quick way to find out: <https://www.mprnews.org/story/2016/06/24/npr-find-lead-pipes-in-your-home>
 - * The only way to know if lead has been reduced by letting it run is to check with a test. If letting the water run does not reduce lead, consider other options to reduce your exposure.
2. **Use cold water** for drinking, making food, and making baby formula. Hot water releases more lead from pipes than cold water.
3. **Test your water.** In most cases, letting the water run and using cold water for drinking and cooking should keep lead levels low in your drinking water. If you are still concerned about lead, arrange with a laboratory to test your tap water. Testing your water is important if young children or pregnant women drink your tap water.
 - * Contact a Minnesota Department of Health accredited laboratory to get a sample container and instructions on how to submit a sample: [Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program](https://apps.health.state.mn.us/eldo/public/accreditedlabs/labsearch.seam) (<https://apps.health.state.mn.us/eldo/public/accreditedlabs/labsearch.seam>)
The Minnesota Department of Health can help you understand your test results.
4. **Treat your water** if a test shows your water has high levels of lead after you let the water run.

*	Read	about	water	treatment	units:
	Point-of-Use Water Treatment Units for Lead Reduction (http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/factsheet/com/poulead.html)				

Learn more:

- Visit [Lead in Drinking Water](http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/contaminants/lead.html#Protect) (<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/contaminants/lead.html#Protect>)
- Visit [Basic Information about Lead in Drinking Water](http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead) (<http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>)
- Call the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791. To learn about how to reduce your contact with lead from sources other than your drinking water, visit [Lead Poisoning Prevention: Common Sources](http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/lead/sources.html) (<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/lead/sources.html>).

Notes from the City Arborist

Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)

Emerald ash borer (EAB) was identified in Washington County during the Fall of 2015. Check trunks and branches for “D-shaped” adult exit holes and “S-shaped” larval galleries. These galleries are under the bark and the bark maybe cracked open over the gallery and wound tissue. There may be a lot of woodpecker activity, particularly in the top half of the tree, seen most easily in the winter. If you see signs of EAB activity, please contact the OPH City Arborist. Do not move ash wood with intact bark from one area to another, to avoid spreading EAB to new areas. If you would like information regarding insecticide injection to protect ash trees in your yard, contact the City Arborist. There are EAB handouts with images on the Arborist’s page of the City’s website and copies are also available at City Hall.

Leaf Spot Diseases of Trees

In wet spring and summer weather, fungal leafspot diseases can be common. These diseases cause rounded black to brown spots on leaves. Fungal leafspot diseases can also cause leaf fall and leave trees thin or bare of leaves. Some leafspots, such as oak anthracnose on white and bur oaks, can cause the leaf edges to brown and curl, progressing to large blotches and wilting of leaves. Most leafspot diseases are short-lived during the spring and cause little damage to trees and shrubs. A fungal disease which can continue to infect trees in summer and cause leaf loss on susceptible varieties, is apple scab on apples and crabapples. If choosing a new flowering crabapple, there are many cultivated varieties which have good scab resistance.

Oak Wilt

DO NOT prune oak trees from April 1st - July 1st (high risk period). There is also a slight risk of oak wilt being spread via insects to fresh wounds from July 1st to September 15th. If oaks are pruned or wounded April 1st through September 30th, wounds should be painted immediately with latex house paint. It is best to prune oaks between October 15th and March 15th.

Hiring a Tree Service or Landscape Company

When hiring a tree service and or landscape company for tree pruning, chemical treatment or tree removals contractors are required to have a current Tree Worker’s License with the City of Oak Park Heights as required by City Ordinance 1307. A current list of licensed tree workers can be obtained from City Hall.

Summer landscaping checklist

Use this handy checklist to keep your yard looking great all summer long:

- ☐ Water lawns deeply and infrequently
- ☐ Prune hedges and non-flowering shrubs
- ☐ Hand prune spring flowering shrubs
- ☐ Keep all trees watered and nourished

Questions?

If you have a problem with a tree or shrub, such as insects, diseases, site factors, or just want to have a plant identified, call Lisa Danielson, the City Arborist at 651-439-4439 or via e-mail at ldanielson@cityofoakparkheights.com. She can either answer your question over the phone or make an appointment for a site visit. This service is free for residents of Oak Park Heights.



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City Meetings (subject to change)

City Council:

2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. (during summer months, the Council may only meet once per month)

Planning Commission:

2nd Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

Parks Commission:

3rd Monday at 6:00 p.m.

Agendas and Minutes are posted on the City's website:
www.cityofoakparkheights.com

Second quarter 2018 utility bills

There is an outdoor utility payment drop box located in the landscaped circle directly outside the City Hall entrance. This will allow for you to drive up to the box to drop off your payment rather than having to get out of your vehicle.

Utility bills for the second Quarter of 2018 (April 1 — June 30) will be mailed to residents in July and will be due August 9, 2018.

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 Jennifer Pinski at City Hall, 651-439-4439, if you have questions.

Reducing the waste stream

Households in Minnesota are creating and throwing away more waste than ever. From junk mail to excess paint to food scraps—it takes a lot of time and money to deal with all of this garbage! Fortunately there's a lot you can do to reduce your waste at home. Besides, nobody likes taking out the trash...

Reduce excess paper at home: A good portion of what you throw in the garbage each day is paper. Much of the paper generated in our homes comes in the mail. The average American household receives more than 500 pieces of advertising mail each year. You can take action to reduce the amount of unwanted mail you receive.



- Households can significantly reduce their advertising mail by registering with the Direct Marketing Association's Mail Preference Service. For more information, go to www.dmaconsumers.org or call 212-768-7277.
- If you just want to stop certain catalogs, you can contact individual mailers and ask them to remove your name from their mailing lists; call them or send your request by mail or email.
- There's also a toll-free number to stop mailings of credit card offers. One call to 1-888-5-OPT-OUT will reach the major national credit bureaus, Equifax, Experian, and Trans Union.

Benefits: Recycling junk mail is good, but reducing the flow of junk mail will conserve natural resources, save landfill space, and save you time and money.



Buy the right amount of paint for the job: Over four million pounds of excess paint is collected at Minnesota's household hazardous waste sites each year. Before you begin a painting project, measure the area first. Calculate the area to be painted (height x width = total square feet). One gallon covers about 400 square feet. To prevent paint from drying out, cover the paint can with plastic wrap, replace the lid securely, and store upside down. Protect your paint from freezing. Use leftover paint for touch-ups, smaller projects, or as a primer.

Benefits: Using either low VOC or water-based paint, stains, finishes, and paint stripper will help keep hazardous chemicals out of your home. Using up paint instead of disposing of it is the best method to deal with leftover paint.

Standard list of curbside recyclables

Recycling is picked up bi-weekly by Tennis Sanitation. The recycling calendar is available on the City's website, along with information on what can be recycled and where to bring hazardous waste and electronics for disposal. Here is a list of standard curbside recyclable materials:

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| *Boxboard, including corrugated cardboard | *Food and beverage glass bottles and jars |
| *Envelopes—window and metal clasps acceptable | *Water, soda and juice plastic bottles |
| *Magazines and catalogs | *Ketchup and salad dressing plastic bottles |
| *Mail, office, and school papers | *Plastic milk and juice jugs |
| *Newspaper and inserts | *Plastic dish soap bottles and detergent jugs |
| *Phone books | *Shampoo, soap, and lotion bottles |
| *Shredded paper in closed paper bag | *Yogurt, pudding, and fruit cups |
| *Milk and broth cartons | *Margarine, cottage cheese, and other tubs |
| *Juice boxes | *Plastic berry containers and to-go containers |
| *Food and beverage aluminum/tin./bimetal cans | |

Reserve a City Park Shelter

Are you thinking about having a get-together or a family reunion? The Brekke, Cover, 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. Oak Park Heights typically opens the park shelters by Memorial Day weekend.

You may obtain the park shelter reservation documents and information online at www.cityofoakparkheights.com. All park shelters require a signed reservation agreement. You may call or visit City Hall anytime to check availability and reserve any of the shelters for your next event!



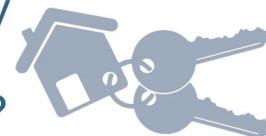
Anoka/Washington County Head Start—Early Head Start Program

The Anoka/Washington County Head Start/Early Head Start programs are FREE for eligible families with children from birth to age five and pregnant women.

In Washington County, they offer center-based Head Start and Early Head Start Child Care Partnership. Their Head Start classrooms offer a four day school week for children three to five years old. The Early Head Start Child Care Partnership sites in Washington County are located in Stillwater and Forest Lake. They offer highly qualified staff, research-based curriculums, parent volunteer opportunities, free meals at school and so much more. To contact them, call 763-783-4300 or visit www.accap.org.



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OR call the Washington County office at 612-789-8838

CLIP AND SAVE!

2018 Summer 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.

All ages are welcome to attend the activities. Children under six must be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is appreciated for the craft activities. E-mail Gina at gzeuli@q.com with number of children attending and their ages.

- ♦ July 10 - Craft in the Park—Glitter Globes: Oak Park Crossing Park from 10 am to noon
- ♦ July 12 - Craft in the Park—Wooden Keepsake Box: Brekke Park from 6:30 pm to 8 pm
- ♦ July 17 - Craft in the Park—Canvas Painting: Brekke Park from 10 am to noon
- ♦ July 24 - Craft in the Park—Crayon Art: Brekke Park from 10 am to noon
- ♦ July 26 - Craft in the Park: Autumn Hills Park from 6:30 pm to 8 pm
- ♦ July 31 - Turtle Presentation: Autumn Hills Park at 10:30 am
- ♦ August 7 - Magic Show with Brian Richards: Autumn Hills Park at 10:30 am
- ♦ August 14 - Craft in the Park—Winter in Summer: Autumn Hills Park from 10 am to noon
- ♦ August 16 - Candy Bingo: Autumn Hills Park from 6:30 pm to 8 pm
- ♦ August 21 - Craft in the Park—Pillowcase Decorating: Autumn Hills Park from 10 am to noon

Oak Park Heights Local Business & Development News

You've probably noticed the construction happening around town. It's been an exciting time for the City, with a number of new commercial business having been completed and a couple moving to new locations.

Welcome New Businesses:

Best Day Spa (Massage) - 14375 60th Street North
Shangri La Nails - 14725 60th Street North

Coming Soon

Holiday Inn Express - 5921 Memorial Avenue North
Royal Credit Union - 13161 60th Street North

If you are interested in learning about what is coming or happening, please call City Hall.

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Election Information Candidate filing is open July 31—August 14

There will be an election for the City Council for the 2019-2022 term on the November election ballot. Two City Council Members will be elected on November 6, 2018. Candidate filing is July 31 through August 14. Filing forms will be available in early July.

Potential candidates must file in person at Oak Park Heights City Hall. Hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. On August 14, City Hall will remain open until 5:00 pm. Candidates must bring a valid ID for notarization purposes and payment for the filing fee. The filing fee is \$2.00.

If you are interested in working as an Election Judge for the November election, please contact City Hall for an application.

