

Acorn



Election 2000

Avoid the Crowds, Register Early.

Voter turnout is expected to be heavy in the upcoming Fall Presidential and General Election. If you are eligible to vote, but have not yet registered, we recommend registering early to avoid delays at the polling sites.

[You may register early at:](#)

[Oak Creek Public Library](#)

8620 South Howell Avenue
M-Th 10am - 8:30pm, Fri 10am - 5pm
Sat 10am - 4pm, Sun 1pm - 4pm

[Oak Creek City Hall](#)

[\(Clerk's Office\)](#)
8640 South Howell Avenue
M-F 8am - 5pm

When registering, you must provide one form of identification showing your current Oak Creek address. (i.e. drivers license, utility bill, bank statement, or apartment lease)

You may also register at the polls on Election Day. See page 4 for polling locations throughout the City. If you would like to verify your correct location, you can call the City Clerk's Office at (414) 768-6500.



FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

A Summer To Remember!

With the tornado and rain that blew through our city on July 2, let's hope that we have seen the worst storm of the new millennium. The good news to report is that no one was killed or severely injured. The bad news is that we suffered some pretty significant property damage. The tornado basically swept across the entire width of the city. It started out just north of 27th & Ryan, traveling east to southeast all the way to WEPCO's Power Plant on the shores of Lake Michigan.

What was truly amazing was to witness some of the damage and the brute force displayed by Mother Nature, without causing a lot more damage or loss of life. We had a fire truck that was responding to a call when its front end started to shake and lift off the ground, that the truck actually retreated under the Ryan Road Bridge, to take temporary shelter.

Sunday night our Street Division was really hustling with installing snow plows on the trucks to push downed trees off the roads. While this was a great idea, it was extremely dangerous because of the darkness and downed electrical lines that they could have hit. Needless to say, the rains and loss of electrical power, for some people up to three or four days, didn't help either.

With the rain intensity Sunday night (a true 100 year storm), the majority of our collector streets were impassable. Ryan Road was closed from

Sunday through Wednesday.

I don't believe County Line Road dried up until Thursday or Friday.

While the cleanup still continues, I can't say enough about some of our neighboring communities. Cudahy and South Milwaukee firefighters were back-filling our fire stations with staff on Sunday night, as our firefighters were running from call to call for everything from a lightning strike to downed power lines.

Cudahy and South Milwaukee also sent trucks and chipping equipment over to our Street Department. Menomonee Falls, Elm Grove, and Milwaukee County sent equipment and crews to manhandle the almost never-ending supply of trees and branches. Talk about firewood and mulch, I can only assume everybody has enough stockpiled for themselves and their relatives for the next couple of years.

While I want to personally thank the City employees for their long hours and dedication during these trying times, I would also like to thank all of you, for your patience and understanding. There's a lot of you who took some pretty heavy hits, especially flooded basements, and yet one of the things I will remember most, is how I witnessed many of you going out into your neighborhood, checking on everyone else or assisting each other with the cleanup. It made me feel very proud to say that I live in Oak Creek.

God Bless You All!

Dale

Thank you

Salvation Army & Red Cross



Did you need assistance after the July tornado and flooding? Both the Red Cross and the Salvation Army were there, providing cleanup kits. How about thanking them during the Holidays with either a donation of time or money?

If you can donate time, the Salvation Army needs bell ringers from mid-November to Christmas; if interested call 762-3993.

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Parks and Recreation



Kids' Convention (Ages K5-5)



An all day program of games, crafts, swimming and fun is being held at the Oak Creek Senior High School

during Teacher's Convention, Thursday and Friday, October 26 and 27.

Oak Creek residents and students in the Oak Creek-Franklin School District in grades K5-5 may attend. The program will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with supervision available from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Register in the Parks and Recreation Office.

Open Basketball

ADULTS in the community may attend the Open Basketball Program offered on Saturdays from 1-3 p.m. starting October 7th in the West Middle School gym. Fee is \$2 per session for residents and \$3 per session for non-residents (payable at the door).



Fitness Walking

Fitness walking for adults begins October 16th in the Oak Creek Senior High.



Monday-Friday:
6 - 8 p.m.

Saturday:
8:30a.m. - 1 p.m.

Recreation Open Swim

Recreation Swim is held in the Oak Creek Senior High School Pool at the times listed below during the fall months through December 16, and is free to residents of the community. The pool is closed on SUNDAYS and HOLIDAYS.

FAMILY SWIM
Saturdays
1:15-3:30 p.m.

AGES 2 AND UP
7:00-8:30 p.m.
Monday/Wednesday/Friday

ADULTS ONLY
8:30-9:00 p.m.
Monday/Wednesday/Friday



Lifeguard Training

Classes begin September 9th for anyone ages 15 and up interested in becoming a lifeguard. Students who complete the course will be certified in CPR for the Professional Rescuer, First Aid and Lifeguarding.

Persons 16 and older wishing to work for the department may be eligible for paid training. Call for details 768-6515.

Elementary / Middle School Basketball Program

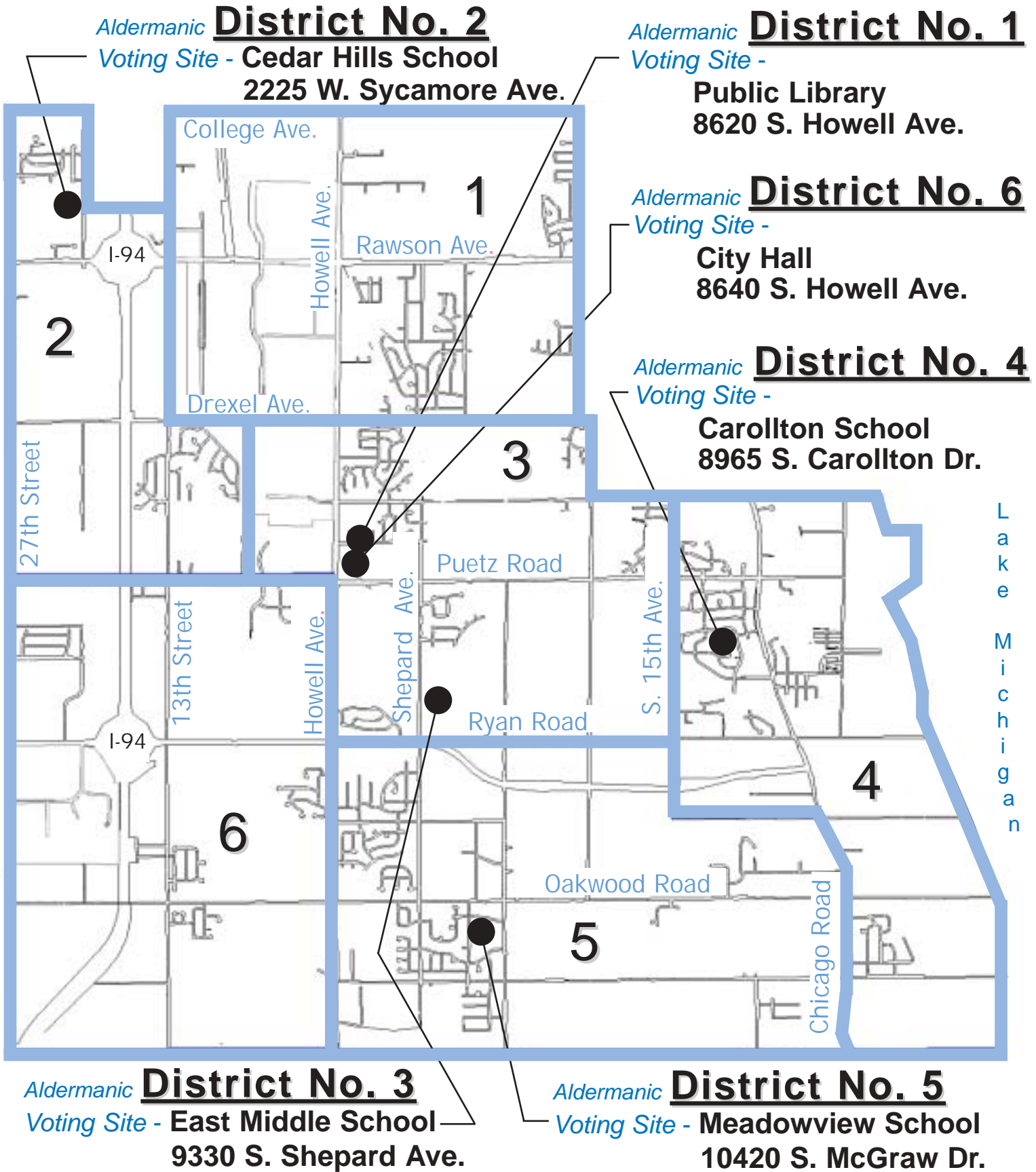
The Parks and Recreation Department is offering Elementary School Basketball for boys and girls in Grades 3 thru 6, and a Middle School Basketball Program for boys and girls in Grades 7 and 8 this fall.

Registration flyers are available in the school offices and Recreation office during the last week of September.

Registrations may be dropped off, faxed or mailed in upon receipt of the flyer. Processing will begin October 6th for any registration received by that time.



Voting Sites - 2000



Fall Clean-Up Begins November 15, 2000

The Street Division will conduct a fall clean-up starting November 15, 2000.

Items that **will be** picked up are as follows:

- Furniture
- Wood
- Appliances
- Metal
- TVs
- Mattresses
- Carpeting/Rugs
- Construction Materials (not resulting from a contractor)
- Yard Waste (excluding leaves and grass)

Residents are required to have their items at the curb or roadside

Attention Businesses !!

The City has three City Hall display cases



available to Oak Creek businesses free of charge. These cases are available on a quarterly basis for advertising products and services. Reservations are taken in the order in which they are received.

If you are interested in using one of these spaces, send a letter to Paul Milewski, Department of Community Development at 8640 S. Howell Avenue, Oak Creek, WI 53154 or Fax to 768-9587.

Display Case Dimensions

Width: 29.5" Height-front: 42.25"
Depth: 21.75" Height-back: 41.0"

Cases are locked, illuminated with track lighting and the walls are surfaced with cork.

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

- Paints
- Tires
- Batteries
- Hazardous Materials
- Grass Clippings & Leaves



Removal Of Rubbish, Dirt, Grass And Leaves Or Yard Waste

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

"No owner or occupant shall allow the street, alley or



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

Oak Creek Public Library



Community Information Database



mcfls.org/ocpl

Need to know the exact name or address of a local organization? Want to find out where the Oak Creek chapter of the AARP meets? Are there any support groups for weight loss in the area? When is the Oak Creek Historical Society complex open? The answer to these questions and many others about local organizations can be found in the Community Information Database (CID). We in Milwaukee County are fortunate to have access to this database of organizations and programs.

In addition to Oak Creek, the CID is an excellent resource for information on organizations throughout Milwaukee County. As of March of this year, the database had over 1500 agencies in the Milwaukee area listed. By searching in the database, you can find support groups, clubs, service organizations, recreational programs and much more.



You can access the Community Information Database at the library, and from your home or office as long as you have access to the Internet. To access the database from home, point your browser to: <http://www.mcfls.org/ocpl> and then click on the CountyCat section. Follow the link to

CountyCat, and then choose Community Information Database. Once you're in the database, you can search by agency name, subject or keywords. Let's say you're interested in model airplanes and want to join a club. Enter model airplanes as a word search, and you will find information on the Bong Eagles Model Airplane Flight Club, which meets here in Oak Creek.

If you would like to have your non-profit organization or club listed in the Community Information Database, please call me, Jon Bloy at the Oak Creek Public Library (764-4400) or send an e-mail to oakcreek.library@mcfls.org.



Children's Programs Story Time (Pre-school)

October 18 through December 7

Story Time is a fun program that offers stories, songs, finger plays and crafts for 3 to 5-year olds.

Sign up begins on Saturday, October 7. The Library opens at 10:00am. Sign up is in person only, Oak Creek residents will receive priority, and children must have had their 3rd birthday by the first day of the program.



Story Time is held on Wednesdays and Thursdays: 10:30 -11:15am 2:15pm, and Thursday evenings: 6:00 -6:45pm.

Visiting the Library?

Check Your Backpack!

Good students know that the correct supplies are important when visiting the library to work. Use this list to make sure you have everything you need!

Bring This Stuff:

Supplies: pens, pencils, paper, highlighters, calculators, etc...

Your Homework: Instruction sheets, assignment notebooks, class notes, and note cards.

Textbooks: First, remember to bring these home from school, then remember to bring them along to the library. The Oak Creek Public Library does not keep copies of your school's textbooks.

Money: Copies and printouts are 15 cents a page. Also bring change for the phone if you'll need to call home.

Time: Please remember to plan enough time for yourself to accomplish your tasks. It's also good to realize that you may have to wait for computer time or for the librarian to help you. Plan accordingly.

Yourself: Don't send your parents to do your work - they aren't in school, you are! We want to see your intelligent, curious, happy self.

Leave This Stuff at Home:

Food and Drinks. Do eat a nutritious snack before you come so you won't be hungry!

Non-research Projects: Nail polish, tattoo kits, hair dye, radio-controlled vehicles, etc...

That really obnoxious kid who lives down the street and gets you in trouble.

The Library staff is here to help you find the information you need. It is important to remember

that doing research and completing assignments are valuable learning tools, ones that you will use over and over again.

We will help you learn how to find the information you need, but it is your job to complete the assignment. To use the information, you will need to read the material, think about what you've read and incorporate it in your report or project. Thank you for using the Oak Creek Public Library!



Annual Christmas Decorating Contest



Think you've got an exceptional holiday display? Well then, have your lights and decorations lit at 5:00pm on Sunday December 17th to be eligible for the Celebrations Commission's Annual Holiday Decorating Contest.

Winners will be judged on originality, organization and theme. Last year's winners are eligible for recognition, but not for monetary awards.

Any citizen wishing to participate as judge can contact Jeff Grehn at 768-5856 by Friday December 17th.



You may say, "Why should I go to the polls; my vote won't count any way?" If you fail to cast it, you're right, it won't count.





Health Department

"Flu", Pneumonia & TD

Are You Protected?

The Health Department will be having its "FLU CLINIC DAY" on Tuesday, October 26th. It will be held at the Oak Creek City Hall from 9:00 - Noon and 2:00 - 5:30pm. Doors open ½ hour prior to these times for seating purposes only. Please call 768-6525 to pre-register. This will reserve your vaccine and allow us to prepare the required paperwork.

The "Flu" vaccine is now being recommended yearly for those over 50. Those under age 50 with chronic health conditions are also highly encouraged to receive it. One dose of the pneumonia vaccine is recommended after age 65. Td (tetanus/diphtheria) toxoids are recommended every 10 years throughout life.



You must bring your Medicare card to the clinic as we are mandated to bill for both the flu and pneumonia vaccines. The Health Department also receives grant funding for vaccines to assist low income residents to receive the vaccines. If you qualify, the vaccines are free of charge; otherwise the costs are:

<u>Vaccine</u>	<u>Residents</u>	<u>Non-Residents</u>
Influenza "FLU"	\$10	\$15
Pneumonia	\$20	\$23
Td - child	free	\$ 5
Td - adult	\$ 5	\$ 8

Note: We require a written prescription yearly from your child's doctor for children under 18 years to receive the flu and/or pneumonia vaccine. Additional "flu" vaccine will be available at regularly scheduled immunization clinics, beginning in November, while supplies last.

Women's Health

Have you had your yearly mammogram, clinical breast exam, or pelvic exam with pap test? Contact your health care provider to schedule these important tests now!

Mammograms will be offered again at the Salvation Army. Screening dates are Tuesday, October 24th and Wednesday, October 25th. Contact Nancy Alfery at 762-3993 for your appointment. If you do not have health insurance or have a high deductible, you may be eligible for a free mammogram provided by the WI Women's Cancer Control Program. Income limits apply:



<u># in Household</u>	<u>Income Limits</u>
1	\$20,875
2	\$28,125
3	\$35,375

If you qualify for this program, you may obtain your other exams at any Planned Parenthood office in Milwaukee County.

Chickenpox

Disease/Vaccine Update

Chickenpox is very common among children. The chickenpox virus can be spread from person to person through the air, or by contact with fluid from chickenpox blisters.

Most children experience chickenpox without serious complications. However, about 12,000 people are hospitalized each year with chickenpox. On occasion, serious health problems such as pneumonia, brain damage, or death, can occur. At the very least, chickenpox can be disruptive and uncomfortable.

The Oak Creek Health Department encourages you to include the chickenpox vaccine in your child's regular immunization schedule.

Call us at 768-6525 for more information.



For those who wish to pay their tax bill in 2000, City Hall is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, except on December 25 and December 26. To accommodate your needs for payment of your 2000 tax bill for income tax purposes, the Treasurer's office will be open on Saturday, December 30, 9 a.m. to 12 Noon.

Also for your convenience, there is a 24-hour depository located near the south doors of City Hall. If you wish to mail your tax bill, there is an envelope enclosed with your tax bill. You will receive a receipt of payment for your taxes from our office.

You may use any of the following Tri-City Bank locations to pay your tax bills:

Tri City Bank (four locations)

- on 27th and College
- on Ryan Road near 27th Street
- in the MegaMall Pick 'n Save
(corner of Puetz & Howell)
- in the Pick 'n Save
(on 27th Street near College)

You will receive a receipt from the bank. Please if at all possible, take advantage of the 24-hour depository, the postal service, or any of the four Tri City Bank locations and avoid waiting in a long line at City Hall.

The first installment or paid-in-full payment is due on Wednesday, January 31, 2001. We are unable to accept payments as being on time if received on February 1, 2001 in person or postmarked that date.

Please mark your calendar, so you do not miss this important due date. Interest and penalty charges accumulate at 1-1/2% per month on the unpaid principal balance.



From The Assessor's Office...

The two-year long revaluation process of all properties in the City of Oak Creek is well underway. The project, being handled by a team from Cole-Layer-Trumble Company (CLT) and overseen by the City Assessor's Office, is scheduled for completion for July 2001.

The field crews will be doing residential interior inspections on properties between Puetz Road and County Line Road through the remainder of the year. The north half of the City was completed in 1999. These are only field inspections, and the 2001 assessment values will not be available until July of 2001. At that time every property owner in Oak Creek will receive a new assessment notice by mail.

If you have any questions regarding the revaluation, contact the staff of the City Assessor's office at 768-6506.

Halloween Safe Site

Time: Sunday October 29th from 1pm-4pm

Place: The Oak Creek

**Historical Society Museum,
15th. Ave. & E. Forest Hill Ave.**

For children of all ages (infants to 12yrs) All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

For more information
call Gene Stark at 762-1077

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“A forester's look at minimizing

storm tree damage”

Let's take a look at what happened to our trees in the early July storm. What sort of damage did we see and why? What could we do to minimize storm damage to our trees in the future? What guides the City in tree selection and removal?

What Happened?

Brittle wood is undeniably the leading cause of tree or branch failure. Generally, weak wood and a short life span are the trade-offs for fast growth. Common fast-growing trees given to breakage for this reason include: silver maple, willow, Siberian elm, boxelder, white poplar, black locust, blue spruce and dead or dying birch and American elm. It was no surprise that these very tree species accounted for the majority of storm damaged trees last July, especially the commonly planted and self-planted willow and silver maple. Across the Midwest, small towns are fast forming tree boards to eliminate such trees and replant with appropriately selected species along the streets.

Poor tree structure is another factor contributing to breakage. Interestingly, this often goes hand in hand with weak wood in many fast-growing species. Structural defects may include multiple stems, tight branch forks or co-dominant stems. All of these flaws may result in deadwood, cracks and splits, developed as the trunks grow larger. See stem diagram.

Underground problems are often not noticed until something gives or goes! One of the most dramatic failures is observed when trees break off at the base due to root or root crown rot. This often happens when moisture and decay

organisms work together to break down woody material that is meant to grow above the ground! Some activities responsible for this sort of failure include planting too deep--possibly the leading cause of a shortened life span in landscape trees. Secondly, construction activities that cause soil compaction and/or regrade soil higher than it originally was, eventually cause failure in trees. Trees and roots that suffer this kind of injury may decline and fail years after the damage was sustained.

Of course, occasionally even a strong tree may fail if a strong enough wind meets its full summer sail of leaves or a weak spot.

STEM DIAGRAM

A **B**

CO-DOMINANT STEMS

Co-dominant stems are stems of about the same size originating from the same position on a stem. When the stem bark ridge turns upward, they will have a strong union (A). When the stem bark ridge turns inward, they will have a weak union (B). The type of union and not the angle is the major factor affecting the strength of the stems. However, as the angle becomes tighter, the chances for type B unions increase.

from Modern Arboticulture, Alex L. Shigo, 1991

What Can We Do To Minimize Storm Damage To Trees?

b Plant strong trees that are moderate to slow-growing near buildings, structures and streets. By the time a fast-growing tree is large and fails, you could have a fair sized tree of greater value. Some so-called slow or moderate-growing trees can put on fast growth in the first twenty years or more before growth wanes--yet many of these trees are avoided in general (many native oaks for example). A long-lived, structurally stronger tree will grow in value and beauty throughout your lifetime.

b Select young trees with sound structure--look for a strong central leader, good trunk taper (increasingly smaller trunk and branch width more distant from the stem and base) and wide angled branch unions on well spaced branches.

b Plant trees at their proper depth. Knowledgeable arborists and foresters know that planting trees too deep can cause early decline and death in trees. An industry report recalls that even green industry professionals plant trees improperly as often as 80 percent of the time!

b Properly protect trees during construction activity, especially if developing a wooded lot. (Hiring the right arborist in this instance can save countless headaches, heartaches and thousands of dollars.)

b Consider the potential size and intended function of your landscape trees when they are midway to fully mature (especially near overhead utility wires). This can save time, labor and money in the long run.

b Inspect your trees for weak spots (cracks, decay, tight forks, etc.) and schedule corrective or maintenance pruning when needed. Appropriate pruning decisions and cuts really do make a difference in the beauty and longevity of your trees!

b Plant trees for posterity. Most people do not realize that trees have a dollar value of their own that can be measured by competent appraisers. A well-placed long-lived tree will grow in value for many years. Appraisals consider tree species, size, condition and location (both immediate and regional). Weak-wooded trees can be an economic burden and liability. Consider negative tree values--the cost of injuries and eventual removal.

What Guides The City In Tree Selection and Removal?

We at the City (along with The Electric Company) are responsible for maintaining roadways for safety and clearance. Some general principles guide our work:

b Extremely brittle trees are liabilities and hazards.

b Weak-wooded species are never appropriate street or right-of-way trees.

b Branch or tree failure can be extremely dangerous, especially around electric and gas utilities.

b Extraordinarily large, weak-wooded trees are costly to remove.

b Durable and long-lived tree selections are usually stronger, higher in value and present fewer hazards.

We are working to set a good community example with our City forestry practices. Oak Creek has taken care to select appropriate street trees that are mainly in the moderate growth rate category. We will continue our efforts to minimize storm damage by removing large, weak-wooded trees in our developing rural areas.

Contact me for a list of structurally strong trees, a diagram on proper tree planting, pruning basics or specific forestry questions. I will be happy to respond with more detailed information.

Email rlane@oakcreekwi.org or phone 414/768-5861 Rebecca Lane.





Fire Department



FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

The Oak Creek Fire Department has teamed up with the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) to support "The Great Escape" during Fire Prevention Week (October 8 - 14, 2000). "The Great Escape" is a three-year public safety campaign aimed at making people safer from fire by encouraging them to develop and practice a home fire escape plan.



Home fire escape planning can make the difference between life and death in a fire. A typical home fire can become deadly fast. From the time the smoke alarm sounds, people may have as little as two minutes to escape. As a result, action has to be taken immediately, which takes planning and practice.

Basic Home fire Escape Tips:

Make sure to have at least one smoke alarm on each level of the home (in or near sleeping areas). Test the alarms at least once a month and change the batteries at least once a year. A good time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors is when you change your clock back from daylight-savings time (Change your clock, Change your batteries).

Draw a floor plan of your home, marking all doors and windows, and the location of each smoke alarm. If windows or doors have security bars, equip them with quick-release devices on the inside.

Locate two escape routes from each room. The first way out should be the door, and the second way out could be a window. If you must use a second-story window as an escape route, consider purchasing a fire escape ladder.

As you exit your home, close all doors behind you to slow the spread of fire and smoke.

If your exit is blocked by smoke or fire, use your second exit to escape. If you must escape through smoke, stay low and crawl under the smoke to safety. Smoke will rise to the ceiling, leaving cooler, cleaner air close to the floor. Crawl on your hands and knees, not belly, because heavier poisons will settle in a thin layer on the floor.

If you live in a building with an elevator, don't use it! Use the stairs.

Choose a meeting place that is a safe distance from your home and mark it on the escape plan. A good meeting place would be a tree, telephone pole, or a neighbor's home. In case of a fire, everyone should gather at the meeting place.

Make sure the street number/address of your home is visible to fire fighters.

Once outside, call 9-1-1 from a neighbor's or nearby phone.

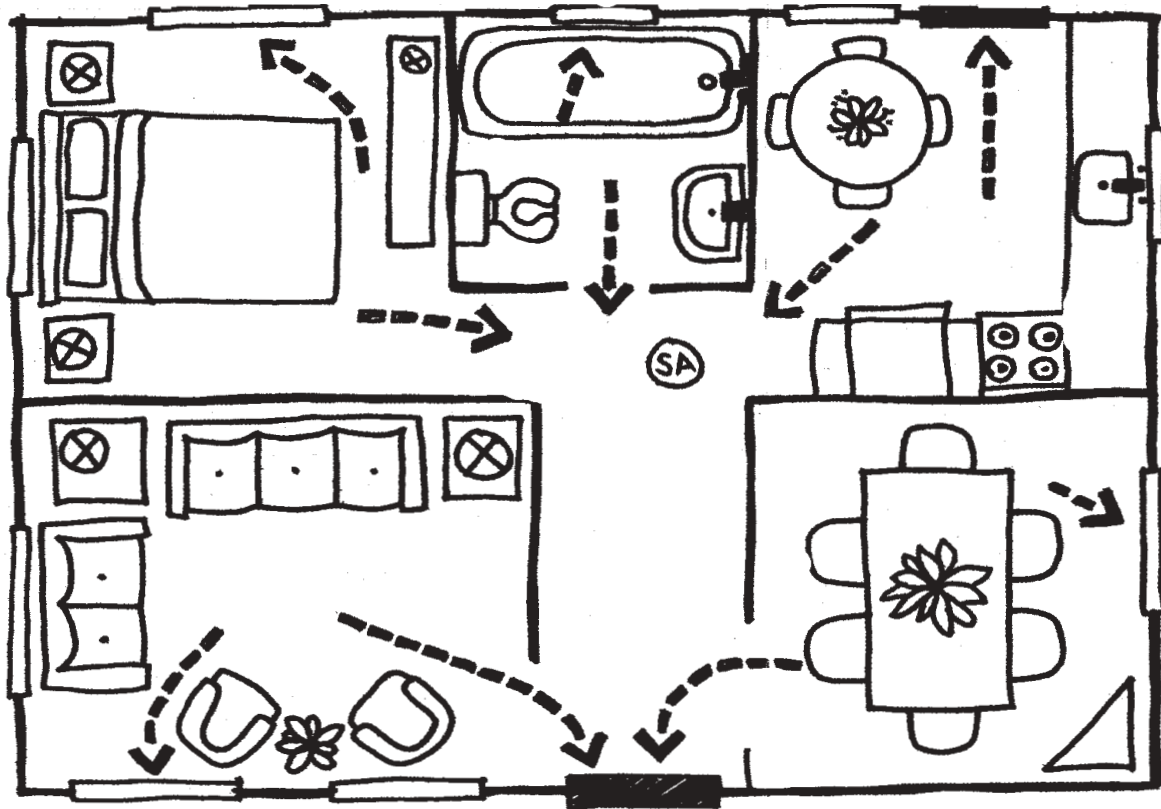
Practice your escape drill at least twice a year.

NEVER go back inside a burning building! Once your out, stay out!



Plan Your Great Escape Now!

Draw up a simple floor plan of your home and mark two escape routes for every room



Fire Department Emergency Number _____

Meeting Place _____

 Smoke Alarm

FIRE STATION #3

Despite delays from a rainy spring season, Station #3's operational start date (December 2000) is on schedule. The new station will provide increased fire protection to the City while decreasing response times to the northwest side. You will be able to visit your new fire station soon; an open house is planned for December or January.



Have a safe
Holidays





Police Department



NEW SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

The Oak Creek Police Department is proud to introduce Officer Dean Kleinhans as the newest School Resource Officer assigned to the High School. Officer Kleinhans replaces Sgt. Antidel, who was reassigned to 3rd shift as a patrol sergeant.

Officer Kleinhans completed training for his new position as S.R.O. by attending a course with the National Association of School Resource Officers, held in Bloomington, Illinois.

This training helped prepare him for the many duties associated with this position, including building safety, classroom instruction, and legal updates.



Officer Kleinhans will be working along with S.R.O. John Finco who is currently assigned at the East and West Middle Schools.

Oak Creek Halloween Safety



Halloween is a fun holiday for children, but concerns for their safety exist whether they are out in the neighborhood trick-or-treating or back at home with bags of goodies. Following a few safety tips can help make the holiday a good time for everyone:

Make sure costumes are flame retardant and fit properly to prevent trips and falls.

Avoid masks that hinder or restrict the child's vision.

Children should be accompanied by an adult while walking around the neighborhood.

Remind children not to eat their goodies before an adult can check them.

Eat only unopened candies and those in original wrappers only. Carefully inspect any fruit or other homemade treats.

Remove objects from your yard that might present a hazard to visitors.

Drive slowly.

Keep an eye out for suspicious activities or persons in your neighborhood.



NEW EMPLOYEE

The Oak Creek Police Department would like to welcome the newest member of our staff.



Dispatcher Mary Young was recently hired to fill an existing opening. We wish her good luck and a long career with us.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2000

Crime Prevention Officer Ron Piojda of the Oak Creek Police Department would like to



thank all of the citizens who attended the 5th Annual Oak Creek National Night Out which was held on August 1st at the Oak Creek Community Center. This year's

event was a huge success. Between 5,000 and 6,000 people enjoyed rides, games, door prizes and low-cost food items, in addition to a fabulous fireworks display at the end of the evening.

An extra special "Thank You" needs to be extended to all of the area business sponsors, the numerous donors, as well as the National Night Out Planning Committee and those who volunteered their time to make this community event possible.

REMINDER: WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS



Winter parking begins again **December 1st** and runs until **April 1st**. During this time, there is no parking on the streets in the City of Oak Creek during the following hours:

Monday thru Friday
from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.

Saturday thru Sunday
from 2:30 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.

Is Your Smoke Alarm Working?

More Americans have smoke alarms than ever before. But nearly half don't work. Without a working smoke alarm as an early warning device, fire can spread unnoticed through the household, blocking escape routes and filling rooms with deadly smoke.

Make sure you are protected. Start a life-saving habit this October 29th. When you set your clock back one hour (for daylight-saving time), change the batteries in your smoke alarms.



2000 Holiday Garbage Collection Schedule

DATE OF HOLIDAY

Thanksgiving Day - November 23, 2000
Day After Thanksgiving - November 24, 2000
Christmas Day - December 25, 2000
Day After Christmas - December 26, 2000
New Year Day - January 1, 2001
Day After New Year - January 2, 2001

DAY OF PICK UP

Wednesday, November 22, 2000
Monday, November 27, 2000
Friday, December 22, 2000
Wednesday, December 27, 2000
Friday, December 29, 2000
Wednesday, January 3, 2001

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER 2000

(NOVEMBER CONTINUED)

- 3 7:00 p.m. Common Council Meeting
- 4 6:00 p.m. Municipal Court
- 5 2:30-5:30 p.m. . . . Immunization Clinic
- 10 4:45 p.m. Library Board
- 7:00 p.m. Plan Commission
- 11 5:00 p.m. Municipal Court
- 7:00 p.m. Traffic & Safety Commission
- 7:30 p.m. Board of Waterworks & Sewer Commissioners
- 12 6:30 p.m. Parks & Recreation Commission
- 16 9:00 a.m. to Committee of the Whole
- 17 4:00 p.m. 2001 Budget Discussions
- 7:00 p.m. Common Council Meeting
- 18 6:00 p.m. Municipal Court
- 19 9-11:00 a.m. Immunization Clinic
- 7:30-9:00 p.m. . . . County Supervisor Launstein Town Hall Meeting
- 24 7:00 p.m. Plan Commission
- 25 5:00 p.m. Municipal Court

- 9 6:30 p.m. Parks & Recreation Commission
- 13 7:00 p.m. Special Council Meeting - 2001 Budget
- 14 4:45 p.m. Library Board
- 7:00 p.m. Plan Commission
- 15 6:00 p.m. Municipal Court
- 16 9-11:00 a.m. Immunization Clinic
- 21 7:00 p.m. Common Council Meeting
- 22 ----- NO MUNICIPAL COURT
- 23 CLOSED THANKSGIVING
- 24 CLOSED HOLIDAY
- 28 7:00 p.m. Plan Commission
- 29 5:00 p.m. Municipal Court

NOVEMBER 2000

DECEMBER 2000



- 1 6:00 p.m. Municipal Court
- 2 11:30 a.m. Board of Health
- 2:30-5:30 p.m. . . . Immunization Clinic
- 6 7:00 p.m. Common Council Meeting (Monday)

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- 6 6:00 p.m. Municipal Court
- 7 2:30-5:30 p.m. . . . Immunization Clinic
- 7:30-9:00 p.m. . . . County Supervisor Launstein Town Hall Meeting
- 12 4:45 p.m. Library Board
- 7:00 p.m. Plan Commission
- 13 5:00 p.m. Municipal Court
- 7:00 p.m. Traffic & Safety Commission
- 7:30 p.m. Board of Waterworks & Sewer Commissioners
- 14 6:30 p.m. Parks & Recreation Commission
- 19 7:00 p.m. Common Council Meeting
- 20 6:00 p.m. Municipal Court
- 21 9-11:00 a.m. Immunization Clinic
- 25 CLOSED CHRISTMAS
- 26 CLOSED HOLIDAY
- 27 5:00 p.m. Municipal Court

7 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. GENERAL ELECTION

See page 4 for a list of Voting Sites

- 8 5:00 p.m. Municipal Court
- 7:00 p.m. Traffic & Safety Commission
- 7:30 p.m. Board of Waterworks & Sewer Commissioners