

Grand Oak

BUSINESS PARK

Where work comes to life

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Earth Day Every Day

April 22nd is Earth Day, a global initiative aimed to inspire awareness of and appreciation for the earth's environment. In conjunction with Earth Day, the property management team is planning a week of events at Grand Oak aimed to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Restore & Replenish:

Monday, April 18 – Electronic Recycling

- Our Vision Recycling
- 9 - 11:30 am
- <http://www.ourvisionrecycling.com/home.html>

Tuesday, April 19 – Paper Shredding

- Shred Right
- 10 am - 12 pm
- <http://shredrightnow.com>

Wednesday, April 20 – Clothing Drive

- Donate to DAV
- <http://donatedavmn.org/content/acceptableitems>

Thursday, April 21 – Office Supplies Recycling

- Companies to Classrooms
- <http://companiestoclassrooms.org>

Friday, April 22 (Earth Day) – Water Conservation/Games/Prizes

- “Blue Out” – Wear blue for water conservation
- Games & Prizes (outside 11 am - 1:30 pm)
 - “Pong” and other lawn games
 - Prizes
- Quiz and Drawing
 - Earth Day Water Conservation Quiz – Drop off a completed form at the management office by 3:00 pm Friday or outside during the games to be entered into a drawing for gift cards.



TAKE NOTE OF THE UPCOMING DATES:

Earth Day

Friday, April 22

Administrative Professionals Day

Wednesday, April 27

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 8

Memorial Day

Monday, May 30

Father's Day

Sunday, June 19

Independence Day

Monday, July 4

Tenant Appreciation

Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, August 3

Enhance Your Workday

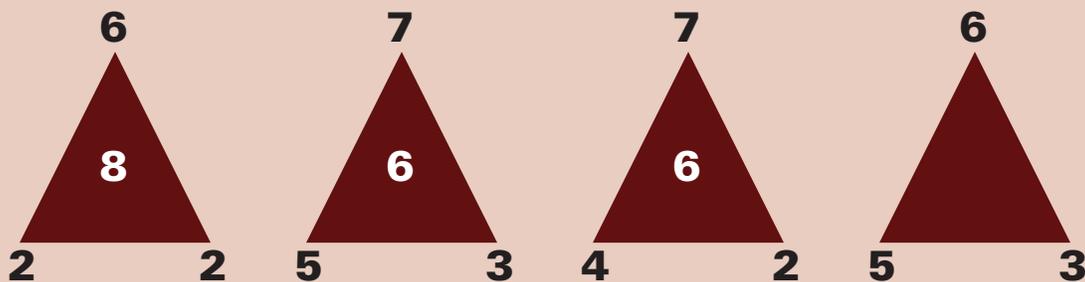
With all the time you spend at work, it's important to squeeze as much productivity and satisfaction out of your workday as possible. Employ the following tips to improve your happiness at work:

- **Do something you consider to be worthwhile.**
Hopefully your day-to-day work is a worthwhile endeavor, but if you're stuck in a position full of busywork, make the extra effort to find something meaningful to do that makes a difference and improves the world around you.
- **Help somebody less fortunate.**
Self-centered people tend to be unhappy because they put their energy into their egos. The best and easiest way to get over yourself is to do something for somebody who could really benefit from your help. Even better? Do it anonymously.
- **Appreciate what you have.**
Take a minute to stop and feel grateful for what you have on your road to success.
- **Avoid procrastinating.**
When something on your to do list has been nagging you, tackle it head on. If it's a big job, complete it in 15-minute segments and it'll get done sooner than you think.

- **Take control.**
Acknowledge that your happiness is your responsibility and then focus on the positives of your job. Incorporate at least one activity you love into every workday, whether it's meeting a friend for lunch, getting out for a walk or reading a book.
- **Say no to negativity.**
Don't succumb to negativity – it drags everyone down. Associate with happy, positive coworkers to help lift your mood and make time fly by at work.
- **Develop meaningful relationships.**
Invest in relationships with your colleagues to build a strong network of support and camaraderie. Also, never underestimate the power of laughter – a shared joke can relieve tension, stimulate creativity and enhance relationships with your coworkers.
- **Increase your energy level.**
Movement boosts your mood and metabolism, while fresh air and sunlight offer a natural high. If you can't get outside, make a point to walk across the office to deliver an update to a colleague in person vs. sitting at your desk all day and sending e-mail.

Brain Teaser: The Empty Triangle

Which figure should be placed in the empty triangle?



National Volunteer Week: April 10-16, 2016

Celebrate Service, the theme for National Volunteer Week, captures the meaning of this week: honoring the people who dedicate themselves to taking action and solving problems in their communities.

National Volunteer Week has grown exponentially, drawing endorsements from all U.S. presidents since 1974 as well as other elected officials.

This year, Points of Light is also honored to recognize the seventh anniversary of the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act and the creation of the Volunteer

Generation Fund through a series of celebratory and service events across the nation.

Celebrate Service presents an opportunity for individuals, families, nonprofit organizations and government entities alike to honor ordinary people who accomplish the extraordinary through volunteer service and who motivate others to follow their lead.

To find volunteer opportunities in your area, visit www.pointsoflight.org/signature-events/national-volunteer-week and enter your zip code on the right.



Once in a Blue Moon

In recent years, the popular definition of a Blue Moon has been the second of two full moons in a single calendar month. An older definition from the *Farmer's Almanac* says a Blue Moon is the third of four full moons in a single season. While Blue Moons used to be fairly rare, they are more common now based on multiple definitions.

The next Blue Moon will occur on Saturday, May 21, 2016. It's a seasonal Blue Moon – the third of four full moons between the March equinox and the June solstice of 2016.

Very rarely, a monthly Blue Moon and a seasonal Blue Moon can occur in the same calendar year. However, for this to happen, there need to be 13 full moons in one calendar year as well as 13 full moons in between successive December solstices. This will next happen in 2048, when a monthly Blue Moon falls on January 31 and a seasonal Blue Moon falls on August 23.

Don't expect to see an actual blue-colored moon, although unusual sky conditions, such as small particles of dust or smoke, can create a hazy blue color.

Recognizing Grand Oak Tenants

Equus Capital Partners and Transwestern are pleased to introduce the following new tenants at 880 Blue Gentian Road:

Barbri, Inc.
Minnesota Society of Professional Engineers
Patina Solutions

Summer Fun

Following are some fun activities taking place near Grand Oak this spring and summer. Visit www.cityofeagan.com/index.php/recreation/community-events for more information.

- Holz Farm Spring Festival – May 15
- Eagan Market Fest – Wednesdays, June 1 - September 28
- Lake Fest – June
- Eagan Art Festival – June 25 & 26
- Eagan Fun Fest – July 2 - 4

Brain Teaser Answer

ANSWER: 3

SOLUTION: The top number minus the bottom left-hand number is multiplied by the bottom right-hand number to give the number inside the triangle.

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