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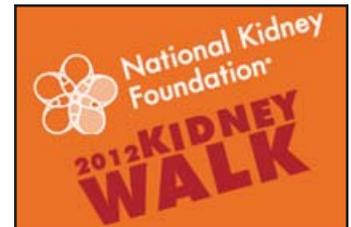
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## Support Team Twin Cities - BPG

The National Kidney Foundation's 2012 Twin Cities Kidney Walk is scheduled for 10:00am on Saturday, October 13th, at the Thomson Reuters Eagan Campus at 610 Opperman Drive. BPG Properties, the owner of Grand Oak Business Park, supports the foundation and has donated \$500.00 on behalf of the property.

The Kidney Walk is a fun, inspiring community fundraiser that calls attention to the prevention of kidney disease and the need for organ donation. It's also an opportunity for patients, family, friends and businesses to come together. Please consider supporting Team Twin Cities - BPG by making a tax-deductible donation and/or forming your own corporate team of colleagues, family, and friends to join the 2012 Twin Cities Kidney Walk.

Simply visit <http://donate.kidney.org> to register for the Kidney Walk or make a donation. With your help, we will be able to make a difference in chronic kidney disease and organ donation awareness.



**Why Walk?** Over 26 million Americans—that's 1 in 9 adults—have chronic kidney disease and most are not aware of it. Because symptoms may not appear until the kidneys are actually failing, millions of people with kidney damage remain unaware and are not taking steps to protect the health of their kidneys. Following are some quick facts about kidney disease:

- 26 million Americans have chronic kidney disease and millions more are at risk.
- Kidney disease is common, harmful and treatable.
- Each year, 112,000 people are diagnosed with kidney failure. That's one person every five minutes.
- More than 547,000 people in the U.S. are receiving treatment for kidney failure.
- Patients with failed kidneys need dialysis or a kidney transplant to stay alive.
- 382,000 currently depend on dialysis to stay alive.
- 88,000 are on the waiting list for a kidney transplant.
- African Americans, Latinos, Asians, Native Americans and the elderly are at increased risk for kidney disease.
- The leading risk factors include high blood pressure, diabetes, and family history.
- Early detection and proper treatment can slow the progress of kidney disease.

### TAKE NOTE OF THE UPCOMING DATES:

#### Grand Oak

#### Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, July 18  
(1:30 - 3:00pm)

#### National Night Out

Tuesday, August 7

#### Labor Day

Monday, September 3  
(Building Closed)

#### Columbus Day

Monday, October 8

#### Twin Cities Kidney Walk

Saturday, October 13

# Let the Games Begin!

The 2012 Summer Olympics will be held in London beginning July 27th through August 12th. Shortly thereafter, the Paralympic Games will kick off on August 29th through September 9th – also in London. The Olympic Games constitute the biggest sporting event on the planet with approximately 10,500 athletes and millions of spectators.

The eyes of the world will be on London for the Opening Ceremony of the 2012 Olympic Games on Friday, July 27th. Titled 'Isles of Wonder', the Opening Ceremony will feature a parade of all competing nations and the highly-anticipated entrance of the Olympic flame, which ignites the cauldron and signals the start of the Games.

The United States won the most medals in the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing, with 110 (36 gold, 38 silver, 36 bronze), leading the overall medal count for the fourth consecutive Games. This year, nearly 600 athletes will represent the U.S. in London. Follow your favorite athletes at [www.teamusa.org](http://www.teamusa.org).

Baseball and softball have been removed from the list of Olympic sports since the 2008 Games, leaving a total of 39 disciplines. The 2012 Summer Olympic sports include:

Archery	Rowing
Badminton	Sailing
Basketball	Shooting
Beach Volleyball	Soccer
Boxing	Swimming
Canoe/Kayak	Synchronized Swimming
Cycling	Table Tennis
Diving	Taekwondo
Equestrian	Tennis
Fencing	Track and Field
Field Hockey	Trampoline
Gymnastics	Triathlon
Handball	Volleyball
Judo	Water Polo
Modern Pentathlon	Weightlifting
Rhythmic Gymnastics	Wrestling

## America's Olympic Network



NBCUniversal plans to provide unprecedented coverage of the upcoming 2012 London Olympics. The network's 13th Olympic Games will include more than 5,500 hours of coverage online and across its various television networks, including more than 270 hours on flagship broadcaster NBC.

- For the first time ever, NBCOlympics.com will live stream every event and sport.
- NBC will also offer two different apps for mobile and tablet users – one with live stream videos and another with highlight clips, schedules, results, columns, and more.
- In partnership with Panasonic, the network will offer 242 hours of 3D coverage which will air on 24-hour tape delay, marking the first time the Olympic Games will be distributed in the U.S. in 3D.

# The Olympics – Now and Then

Read on for some interesting facts surrounding the 2012 Olympics and the history of the Games:

-  London is the first city to host the Olympics three times – in 1908, 1948 and 2012.
-  London 2012 will be the most compact Games ever in terms of land use. Five boroughs will host the 2012 Games – Greenwich, Hackney, Newham, Tower Hamlets and Waltham Forest.
-  In 2009, the International Olympic Committee voted to include women's boxing in the 2012 Games, so men and women will now be competing in all sports. However, equestrian events are the only Olympic sport in which men and women compete on equal terms.
-  The water temperature of the Olympic pool must be within one degree of 79°F and high-tech filters will remove the smell of chlorine.
-  The minimum age for participation in Olympic competition is currently 16, unless a particular sport's regulating agency specifies a different age minimum.
-  Approximately four billion people are expected to watch the London 2012 Opening Ceremony.
-  In 2012, approximately 2,100 medals will be presented in 302 ceremonies to athletes from 204 countries competing in the 26 sports.
-  The United States has won more medals (2,302) at the Summer Games than any other country.
-  This will be the first year Japan has sent a team to a London Olympics.
-  Australia, Great Britain and Switzerland are the only countries that have sent a team to every Olympic Games since their inception in 1896.
-  Olympic announcements are always in English, French and the host country's language.
-  The Olympic flag was conceived in 1914 by Pierre de Coubertin, founder of the International Olympic Committee. The interconnected rings symbolize the five major continents and the friendships gained from the international competitions. The Olympic flag was first flown during the 1920 Games.
-  The Olympic flame originated in ancient Olympic Games when a flame was ignited by the sun and kept burning until the closing of the Games. The flame first appeared in the modern Olympics at the 1928 Games in Amsterdam and the Olympic Torch relay originally launched at the 1936 Olympic Games.
-  During the first several modern Olympics, the marathon was an approximate distance. In 1908, the British royal family requested that the marathon start at Windsor Castle, which was 42,195 meters (or 26 miles and 385 yards) from the Olympic Stadium. In 1924, this distance became the standard length of a marathon.
-  The first Opening Ceremony was held during the 1908 Olympic Games in London.
-  In 1908, the Olympics went on for 187 days – beginning in April and ending in October.
-  The last time Olympic gold medals were made entirely out of gold was in 1912.
-  Because of World War I and World War II, there were no Olympic Games in 1916, 1940 or 1944.
-  The 1960 Summer Games in Rome were the first Olympics covered by U.S. television (CBS).
-  There's a 62-year age difference between the oldest and youngest Olympians ever. The youngest Olympian, age 10, was Dimitrios Loundras, a Greek gymnast in the 1896 Athens Olympics. The oldest Olympian, age 72, was Oscar Swahn, a Swedish shooter in the 1920 Olympics in Antwerp, Belgium.

# Recognizing Grand Oak Tenants

BPG Properties and Cassidy Turley extend special thanks to the following tenants for their commitment to Grand Oak Business Park during 2nd Quarter 2012:

**Fiserv**  
880 Blue Gentian Road

**Scottsdale Insurance**  
860 Blue Gentian Road



**You're Invited**  
to an  
**Ice Cream Social**  
for Tenants of Grand Oak Business Park

Wednesday, July 18  
1:30 - 3:00pm

**Ice Cream Carts**  
Will Be Located Behind  
**2805 Dodd Road (Building 10)**  
and  
**2750 Blue Water Road (Building 7)**

## About BPG Properties, Ltd.

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