

ROYAL OAK



Charles II (1630 1685) was King of England, Scotland and Ireland from the 1660 Restoration of the monarchy until his death in 1685.



1651

The Royal Oak was an English oak tree where King Charles II hid to evade the Roundheads after the Battle of Worcester in **1651**.



The original Royal Oak was destroyed by tourists who took branches and bark as souvenirs in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries .



Prince Charles planted an Oak sapling in **2001**, grown from one of the acorns of the 'Son of Royal Oak' on the 350th anniversary of the Battle of Worcester.

SON OF ROYAL OAK



1700s

'Son of Royal Oak' was planted in the **1700s** near the site of the original Royal Oak in Boscobel Wood England.



The Royal Oak City of Trees Committee had 50 acorns of the 'Son of Royal Oak' sent to Michigan in **1937**. The committee planted a Red Oak near Main St and Rochester Rd in the same year.

BABY ROYAL OAK



2001

The Oak tree Prince Charles (now King Charles II) planted in **2001** is known as 'Baby Royal Oak'

MEMORIAL PARK



1949

Some of acorns from the 'Son of Royal Oak' sprouted and were planted in pots at the Detroit Zoo and then later moved to Memorial Park in **1949**.

MAIN STREET



2011

In **2011**, Tom Brim planted a 4-year-old Oak sapling near the intersection of Main Street and Rochester Road. The sapling was grown from an acorn taken from the oak trees at Memorial Park.

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The City of Royal Oak got its name from Territorial Governor Lewis Cass, who sat under a large oak tree in **1819** and remarked, "This is truly a great royal Oak."



In **1917**, the Royal Oak Women's Club erected a stone monument near the site of Cass's 'Royal Oak' near Main St and Rochester Rd.