

THE OAK LAWN NETWORKER

Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce

Mission Statement:

“The Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce works to represent and advance the Oak Lawn business community, striving with constant integrity, fairness and cooperation to promote and improve the economic atmosphere, business climate and image of Oak Lawn.”

OAK LAWN CHAMBER LIGHT POLE BANNER PROGRAM

These colorful heavy-duty banners are available to advertise your Business along busy Cicero Avenue. The Banner Program is exclusively offered to Chamber Members only.

This is a two year program with banners being hung during the month of June. The location of every banner will be randomly selected and will extend down 1) Cicero Avenue from 95th Street to 103rd Street. Then once filled we will continue down 2) Cicero Avenue from 103rd Street to 111th Street. 3) 95th Street to Pulaski Rd. 4) Cicero Ave from 95th Street to 87th Street.

The cost for one banner is \$300 and is due with your application. If you plan on investing additional marketing dollars in this new branding program, we are offering 2+ banners for a discounted rate of \$275 each.

For more information on this program, please contact the Chamber office.

DEADLINE: Extended to May 15, 2019

[Click here for more information](#)

Your Business
Name



Shop Oak Lawn

OAK LAWN CHAMBER SUMMER EVENTS

Annual Golf Outing

The Chamber's Annual Golf Outing will be held on Wednesday, July 10th at Stony Creek Golf Course. The major sponsor again this year will be Oak Lawn Bank & Trust. The Golf Outing is our single largest fundraiser and we need your help to make it a success.

We are asking for your support by either being a sponsor or donating a raffle prize. **See page 11** for the specifics opportunities.

Lunch & Learn Event

“Why Diversity and Inclusion in the Workplace is good for Business”, presented by Dr. Brandon Nichols – Lead Consultant at 3B Nichols Consulting, LLC.

Please join us on Thursday, July 18th, 11:30 AM, at the Oak Lawn Library, lower level. Don't forget to bring your lunch.

Mega Business After Hours

We will once again partner with Oak Forest-Crestwood Chamber for their Annual Mega BAH on Thursday, July 25th at Oak Forest Bowl on the patio from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM along with 6 other chambers.

MAY / JUNE

2019

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President Remarks




Greetings fellow chamber members. As we push closer towards the mid-way point of the year, I encourage you all to stay engaged with all the wonderful events our chamber has to offer. Our 4th Annual Small Business Clinic is just a few weeks away and is slated one of this year's best events! There still may be time for you to register as a vendor by contacting the chamber office.

I would like to take a moment and recognize someone very special to us all. Mother's Day is not only a day for celebrating your own mother. It is a day that show love and honor for all the women in our lives who have provided unswerving love and support. Enjoy your special day. We love you all. Happy Mother's Day 2019. Also congratulations to all of our soon to be local graduates!

Recently I met with a former executive director from a different chamber of commerce. This person had been retired for some time, but quickly made mention about the Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce and how strong we were despite all the ups and down in the economy of the past decade. That surely made me feel good to be a part of group with awesome members who are dedicated to each other's success. Thank you to all of past, current and future leaders of the Oak Lawn business community. We will continue to be proud of our membership with the Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce. If you have ideas or things we can do better, we solicit your feedback. We are here to serve you.

Sincerely,
Don Murphy – 2019 President

Follow The Chamber!



www.oaklawchamber.com

2019 Officers and Directors

President

Don Murphy (American Family Insurance)

1st Vice President

Dr. Katie Narbone (Complete Vision Care)

2nd Vice President

Erin Foley (Oak Lawn Public Library)

Treasurer

Eileen Kerlin-Walsh (Kerlin-Walsh Law)

Secretary

Jim Makina (Allegra Marketing * Print * Mail)

Immediate Past President

Vicki Scanlon (Providence Bank & Trust)

Term Expiring 12/31/1

Mike Abdallah (Style 95 Barber Shop)

Carmen Abascal (I Love Blue Pencils)

Joe Cwiklinski (Century 21 Affiliated)

Bernard Deir (Midwest Business Consulting)

David D. Dewar (Tax-Free Retirement Solutions)

Greg Greiman (Hayes Local Marketing)

Jeremy Marek (Marek Lawn & Landscape, Inc.)

Ginger Morgan (Thompson & Kuenster F.H.)

Jim Munz (Advocate Aurora Health)

Charlie Shirk (Hilton Chicago / Oak Lawn)

Sharon Vetsch (The Quick Book Pro Advisor)

Natasha Williams (Mass Exodus Adventures)

Term Expiring 12/31/20

Paul Belsky (Saint Xavier University)

George Cachares (Fyzical Therapy & Balance Center)

Phil Costello (Oak Lawn Park District)

Kathleen Farrell (Oak Lawn Bank & Trust)

Dr. David Finkelstein (Oak Lawn Foot & Ankle)

Ryan Lichter (Evergreen Park Web Solutions)

Jose Pareja (JP Architects Ltd.)

Steve Radice (Village of Oak Lawn)

Mike Riordan (Oak Lawn Community High School)

Jeff Reynolds (Nothing Bundt Cakes)

Mike Sutko (World Travel Mart)

Chamber Staff

Julie Miller - Executive Director

Jennifer Villafan - Administrative Assistant

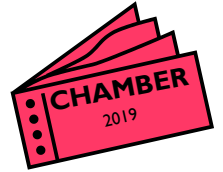
Your Chamber at a Glance

- Ambassador Meetings
- Business After Hours
- Farmers' Market
- Luncheon
- New & Perspective Breakfast
- Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies
- Small Business Clinic

Please check the calendar on page 13 or the Chamber website for time and location. All events are posted on our website: www.oaklawnchamber.com

2019 Bonanza Raffle on Sale!

Each ticket price is \$10 and four winners are picked each month: one \$100 winner, one \$50 winner and two \$25 winners.



**Buy now! 32 chances to win
with each ticket!**

Congratulations to winners

March

\$100 - Chris Leahy, Leahy & DiSalvo-Ost & Assoc.
\$50 - Vicki Scanlon, Providence Bank & Trust
\$25 - Trustee, William "Bud" Stalker
\$25 - Jan Bochinski, G& H Import Auto Parts

April

\$100 - Adam Woodworth, Children's Museum in OL
\$50 - Joe Cwiklinski, Century 21 Affiliated
\$25 - Kenwood Wine & Liquors, Inc
\$25 - Jim Prusak, Prusak Construction & Roofing, Inc.



Oak Lawn Farmers' Market

Summer is just around the corner, and once again the Village of Oak Lawn will host a Farmers' Market beginning Wednesday, June 6th at Cook and Dumke Drive.

If you are interested in being at the Market every week, contact Carmie O'Leary at Village Hall 708-499-7742 or coleary@oaklawn-il.gov

Again this year, the Chamber will offer a spot for a member, once during the season at the Chamber table. Spots will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. **Reservations are now open.** The cost to reserve the spot will be \$25.00. (The market is open rain or shine, so the fee is non-refundable.)

NOTE: The business must provide their own table and chairs. They are welcome to bring a tent. The Chamber has a tent available for use (at no charge) however, the business is responsible for transport, set-up and take down of the tent.

For more information, contact the Chamber office.
(708) 424-8300 or office@oaklawnchamber.com

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Alzein Pediatrics Urgent Care

Nita Widlacki
5106 Museum Dr.
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
708-424-7600

Llama Llama Ding Dong Yarn

Yaxchelt Olivan
12711 S Ridgeland Ave
Palos Heights, IL 60463
708-981-5905

Sassy Girls Chalet Market Place

Deborah George
9920 S. Ridgeland Ave.
Chicago Ridge, IL 60415
708-752-5397

Three Point Healthcare

Kevin Bresnahan
4817 W. 95th St.
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

Member of the Week Email Blast Program.

Only 11 Spots Available for 2019

This program is designed to put **YOU** in the spotlight. It allows information about your business, upcoming events, specials, and more to be sent to nearly 1000+ registered email subscribers. You can even include logo, photos, even links to your website!

These blast go out each Monday and spots are reserved in advance and taken on a first come, first-served basis. The cost to participate is \$25 a week.

If you are interested in one of these Monday Blasts, please contact the Chamber office if you are interested in one of the 11 spots left.

Community Events

Medical Cannabis and the Current Treatments of Alzheimer's Disease Wednesday, May 8th 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm EVENT HELD AT GRACE POINT PLACE 5701 W 101ST STREET, OAK LAWN, IL 60453. Medical professionals will outline the current treatments for indications of Alzheimer's disease and how to use cannabis in their place. Doctors will draw examples from their practice and peer-reviewed journals. This presentation will also address how to get a card to legally use medical cannabis, follow-up and the role of the family and caregivers in this type of care.

Stony Creek Clean-Up Volunteer Opportunity The Oak Lawn Park District is looking for volunteers for the annual Stony Creek Clean-up event held in conjunction with the 27th Annual Chicago River Day. In collaboration with the Friends of the Chicago River, volunteers will be working side-by-side on Saturday, May 11th, from 9:00 AM -12:00 PM to help the environment by collecting garbage. The meeting location is at the Wolfe Wildlife Pavilion located at 109th & Laramie. The minimum age to volunteer is 8 years old, however, we are a "family-friendly" site. Younger children can enjoy the park facilities with a parent while the rest of the family works at the Chicago River Day/Stony Creek Clean-up. Make sure to arrive with a smile and clothes you don't mind getting a little dirty. Event will proceed rain or shine. Please pre-register for this event and include your t-shirt size using the program code 416100-01 For more information, please call 708-857-2200.

Saturday, May 18 7:00 PM-11:00 PM Pass the Hat for Beds Plus \$125 per person Katherine Legge Memorial Lodge 5901 S County Line Rd Hinsdale, IL 60521 Live Music, Appetizers, Signature drink, Premier Raffle.

Thursday Nights at Francesca's on 95th Live Jazz Music Starting April 11, 2019 6:00 PM -9:00 PM
6248 W 95th St., Oak Lawn 708-598-7007 for reservations.

Mother's Day Etched: Get ahead of Mother's Day shopping & give your mom the gift she really wants - a bottle of wine Purchase an etched Mother's Day wine bottle at your local Cooper's Hawk or online: <https://shop.coopershawkwinery.com/Etched-Wine-Bottles/> #coopershawk #chwinery #coopershawkwinery #mothersday Mother's Day Glasses: Cement your favorite child status with a hand painted Mother's Day Lolita glass from Cooper's Hawk. Purchase glasses at your local Cooper's Hawk or online: <https://shop.coopershawkwinery.com/Lolita-Stemware/> #coopershawk #chwinery #coopershawkwinery #mothersday

Join us at the 4th Ward Job & Career Resource Fair on May 22nd 10am-2:00pm! @ IBEW Local 134 2722 S Martin Luther King Jr Dr Chicago, IL 60616 Hosted by Alderman Sophia King Employment & Employer Services (E&ES) is proud to partner with Ald. Sophia King once again on the 4th Ward Job & Career Resource Fair, which will be held on Wednesday, May 22nd, 2019. We expect dozens of employers to be in attendance along with organizations offering resources/services for job seekers. The event is open to all Chicago residents - please join us!

CHAMBER PHOTO GALLERY

BAH Credit Union I



March Luncheon



BAH O'Hara & Friends



Ribbon Cutting Nova Care



CHAMBER PHOTO GALLERY

Health & Safety Expo



April Luncheon



Ribbon Cutting ~ Firehouse Subs



Lunch & Learn



BAH ~ Foot & Ankle Clinic



Business After Hours ~ Windy City Thunderbolts



Multi-Chamber Night with the Windy City ThunderBolts!

**Wednesday, May 8th at Ozinga Field
5:00pm-8:00pm**

Join us for a **Business After Hours event** like you've never seen before! Bring your bats, gloves, and appetites as we have a premier ballpark experience in store for you!

Network with business leaders from the Chicagoland area while enjoying an **all-inclusive food and drink menu** in our famous Glenmark #WinCity Party Patio. The fun doesn't stop there as the night will also include field access for ThunderBolts practice and a chance to meet the team!

RSVP by May 3rd by e-mailing kthorne@wcthunderbolts.com. Please indicate which chamber you are a member of and how many individuals will be attending within your party!

THINGS TO KNOW



- Come and go as you please any time between 5:00 and 8:00pm
- Watch the team in their last practice before the season opener on May 9th!
- All food and drink is included, as attending this event is **FREE!**



RSVP by May 3rd by e-mailing kthorne@wcthunderbolts.com
Ozinga Field - 14011 South Kenton Avenue, Crestwood, Illinois 60418

[Click Here to RSVP](#)

National Tourism Day Together

We are *One*
Chicago Southland

Join the Chicago Southland CVB
Wednesday, **May 15th** to Celebrate
National Tourism Day

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Chicago Southland CVB Offices

2304 173rd Street
Lansing, IL 60438

708-895-8200

Silent Auction Mix & Mingle Music Hors D'oeuvres



Wednesday, May 15

8:00 AM

Stony Creek Golf Course

5850 W 103rd St

Oak Lawn, IL 60453



Chamber Ambassadors



New and Prospective Member Breakfast

This is a great opportunity for new and prospective members to learn more about the Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce's activities, to be given the chance to join event committees, and to network with Chamber leadership. You'll get an overview of the Chamber and the many benefits and opportunities that we offer to our members.

Free for prospective and one complimentary for 2019 new members. \$5 for current members. Kindly RSVP to the Chamber office.

Business After Hours ~ Cornerstones



JOIN US FOR BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5
5-7PM
5102 MUSEUM DRIVE
OAK LAWN, ILLINOIS 60453

**CORNER
STONES**

COME NETWORK, SEE
OUR CLINIC, ENJOY
SOME REFRESHMENTS,
AND TAKE HOME A
FREE GIFT ON US!

RSVP by email to dfleckenstein@cornerstonesil.com

[Click Here to RSVP](#)

Join Us For The

4th Annual

 **SMALL BUSINESS
CLINIC**

Hosted by Midwest Business Consulting, Bedford Park Clearing Industrial Association,
Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce, and Bridgeview Chamber of Commerce

May 16, 2019

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
(Check-in begins 8:30 a.m.)



Location:

Oak Lawn Pavilion

9401 S. Oak Park Ave.
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

**Come out and take
advantage of the
following resources:**

- ✓ Meet and connect with local businesses
- ✓ Access to small business organizations
- ✓ Attend free business seminars and learn from industry professionals
- ✓ Get your product/service in front of local buyers with an exhibit table or sponsorship
- ✓ Participate in raffles and door prizes
- ✓ Network and enjoy light snacks, refreshments, and more!

Register at www.CSS-SBC.com or by phone at (708) 571-3401

[Sponsorship form](#)

[Exhibitor form](#)



ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Stony Creek Golf Course

5850 W. 103rd Street • Oak Lawn, IL

**NEW
GAMES**
on the Course

REGISTRATION 11:00 am
LUNCH 11:30 am
SHOTGUN START 12:30 pm
MINIATURE GOLF 4:00 pm

**BARBEQUE
& MUSIC**
on the Patio

OPEN BAR AND DINNER at the conclusion of golf

Prizes Awarded For:

- Closest to the Pin
- Longest Drive
- Lowest Net Foursome
- Lowest Gross Foursome

COST:

- Golf & Dinner – \$125
- Golf Only – \$80
- Dinner Only – \$55
- Mini-Golf & Dinner – \$70



5120 Museum Drive, Oak Lawn, IL
Phone: 708-424-8300 Fax: 708-229-2236
www.oaklawnchamber.com

[Click here to register](#)

May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 BAH	9	10	11
12	13 Ribbon Cutting	14 Luncheon	15 New & Prospective Breakfast	16 Small Business Clinic	17	18
19	20	21	22 Ribbon Cutting	23	24	25
26	27 Office Closed	28	29	30	31	

May 8th Business After Hours
Windy City Thunderbolts 5-8PM
14011 S. Kenton, Crestwood, IL
5:00-8:00 PM

May 14th, March Luncheon,
Hilton Chicago / Oak Lawn
11:30 AM Registration
12:00 PM Lunch

May 15th, New & Prospective Breakfast
Stony Creek Golf Course
5850 W. 103rd St., Oak Lawn
8:00 AM

May 16th, Small Business Clinic
Oak Lawn Pavilion
9401 S. Oak Park Ave.
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

May 22nd, Grand Opening /
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
Healthcare Associates Credit Union
4710 W. 95th St, Suite 8A
11:30 PM - 3:30 PM Box Lunches
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM Ribbon Cutting

May 23rd, Business After Hours
Tax Free Retirement Solutions, Inc.
Hosting at Jacobs Well,
3450 Maple, Evergreen Park
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

May 27th, Memorial Day
Chamber Office Closed

June 5th, Opening Day Farmers Market
Cook and Dumke Ave.
7:00 AM

June 5th, Business After Hours
Cornerstone
5102 Museum Dr.
5:00 PM - 5:00 PM

June 11th, June Luncheon
Hilton Oak Lawn
9333 S Cicero Ave. Oak Lawn, IL
11:30 Am 12:00 Lunch

June 12th, Ambassador Committee Meeting
Les Brothers
8705 Ridgeland Ave.
8:00 AM

June 25th, Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
Provident Bank & Trust
4700 W. 111th St.
Noon

June 2019

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