



# 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.”*

## Happy New Year!

We welcome our new and veteran members into the new year. The Chamber’s success is due to its members and supporters. We look forward to partnering with you in

## Marketing Opportunities in 2020

**Member in Spotlight** - Member in Spotlight is a program designed to put **YOU** in the spotlight, this program 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.

**TV Ads** - Advertise on the Chamber TV located inside the metra station. Don’t miss the opportunity to market to 1000+ commuters each day that’s 365,000 potential customers each year. \$75 Quarterly \$250 Yearly

**Website** - All members are listed for free on our website. So don’t forget to claim your page. This is free to all members. [www.oaklawnchamber.com](http://www.oaklawnchamber.com)

**Metra Station** - The Chamber office is located in the Oak Lawn Metra Station. As a member, you can provide brochures/info about your business inside the station. The Metra station has over 1000 commuters each day. This is free to all members

**Annual Golf Outing** - This is the Chamber’ largest fundraiser and the biggest marketing opportunity for its members. There are way to advertise your business by golfing, sponsorship, donating raffle prizes.

**Membership Directory** - Your business information is listed categorically and alphabetically in the directory which is distributed annually to all members and made available to residents.

**Fire/Safety Coloring Book** - For the past 41 years, the Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce has collaborated with the Oak Lawn Fire Department, on the production of the Fire Safety Coloring Book, the primary tool used to educate children about the dangers of fire and the importance of escape procedures and fire safety. Advertising starting at \$75

**Please call the chamber office with any questions or if you wish to advertise with us. 708-424-8300**

## January/February

### 2020

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# 74th Annual Installation

## Dinner

The Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce

invites you to attend the

74th Annual Installation of Officers & Directors

Saturday, January 18th,

Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn .

Join us as we reflect on the accomplishments of the past year and welcome with anticipation 2020.

Cocktail Reception.....6:00 PM

Program and Installation.....7:00 PM

Dinner.....7:30 PM

2019 Business Award .....8:45 PM

Entertainment .....9:00 PM

For more information, please contact the Chamber office or visit our website:  
[www.oaklawnchamber.com](http://www.oaklawnchamber.com)

You're not going to want to miss the Installation dinner. Check out this years entertainment!!

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=oUh-MDPfw7M>

## Follow The Chamber!



[www.oaklawnchamber.com](http://www.oaklawnchamber.com)

### 2019 Officers and Directors

#### President

Don Murphy (American Family Insurance)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Dr. Katie Narbone (Complete Vision Care)

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

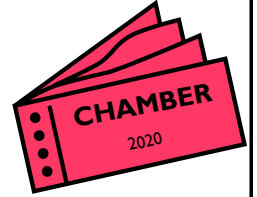
## Your Chamber at a Glance

- **Ambassador Meetings**
- **Business After Hours**
- **Luncheon**
- **Lunch & Learn**
- **Multi Business After Hours**
- **New & Perspective Breakfast**
- **Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies**
- **State of the Village Address**

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](http://www.oaklawnchamber.com)

## 2020 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! 48 chances to win with each ticket!**

**Congratulations to winners**

### November

Expert Carpet Cleaning, INC - \$100 Winner  
Don's Custom Landscaping - \$50 Winner  
Henry Sander - \$25 Winner  
Tracy Whalen- \$25 Winner

### December

Phil's Pizza - \$100 Winner  
Jim Makina - \$50 Winner  
Kenwood Liquor - \$25 Winner  
William "Bud" Stalker - \$25 Winner

## **Membership Blast**

### **Program - Spots Available for 2020**

Member of the Week email blast program.

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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 for a schedule. 708-424-8300 or [office@oaklawnchamber.com](mailto:office@oaklawnchamber.com)



# WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

## ADP

Aaron Schiappa  
500 W. Jackson Blvd.  
Chicago, IL 60661  
919-740-4397

## Blink Fitness

Adrianna Carrasco  
8801 Ridgeland Ave  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453  
www.blinkfitness.com

## M & G Roofing INC

Marcos Martinez  
5908 W 99th  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453  
773-864-9516

## Maguire & Associates, LLC

Linda Maguire  
4647 W 103rd St Suite 1K  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453  
708-599-3905

## Meta Form Health & Fitness

Roberto Melendez  
3503 W. 95th St.  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453  
708-529-7352

## Molly Man Group KW Elite Realty

Molly Man  
4544 W. 103rd St.  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453  
708-774-4672  
www.mollymannhomes.com

## Oak Lawn Towing

Jillian Tuner  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453  
708-938-3211  
www.oaklawntowingexperts.com

## Plows Council on Aging

Jennifer Petterson  
7808 W College Dr  
Palos Heights, IL 6046  
708-274-4454  
www.plows.org

## SeBa Signs & Printing

Wojciech Chramiec  
6253 W. 95th St., Unit 1N  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453  
773-988-1242  
www.Sebasigns.com

## United Insurance Services

Rojean Gager  
6500 W College Dr  
Palos Heights, IL 60463  
708-658-0050  
www.uisinsure.com



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Souper Bowl Food Drive

The Oak Lawn Public Library, 9427 S. Raymond Avenue, invites you to join our third annual Souper Bowl food drive from Thursday, Jan. 2 through Super Bowl LI on Sunday, Feb. 2. We will team up to stop hunger and help local pantries stock their shelves after the holidays. All are welcome to join in on the game as we aim to collect at least 500 donated items. A bin will be placed in the Library lobby near a large poster that will track our progress; all donated items will be delivered to local pantries in February. Over the past two years, nearly 1,000 donated items have been distributed to three local food pantries. For more information about this, call 708-422-4990 or visit [www.olpl.org](http://www.olpl.org).

### Oak Lawn Ice Arena's Winter Luau

Stay away from the winter blues by participating at the Oak Lawn Park District Ice Arena's Winter Luau on Sunday, January 19th, from 1:00-2:30pm. Enjoy a fun afternoon of skating, raffles and music provided by our DJ. The Ice Arena is located at 9320 S. Kenton Avenue. The fee for this event is \$7.00 for admission and \$4.00 for skate rental. For more information, please contact 708-857-5173.

### Knuckleball Comedy

Join the experienced comedians of Knuckleball Comedy for a hilarious improv performance that will involve the whole audience from 7 -8 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 23, at the Oak Lawn Pubic Library, 9427 S Raymond. For more information about this and other youth programs, call 708-422-4990 or visit [www.olpl.org](http://www.olpl.org).

**Beds Plus 8th Annual Soup & Bread** Join Us on Saturday, January 26, 2020, 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM \$25 per person Holiday Inn William Tell Banquets - 6201 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL [Click here to RSVP](#)

### Oak Lawn Ice Arena's Valentine Skate

Want to share your love for the ice with a loved-one? Come out to the Oak Lawn Park District Ice Arena's Valentine Family Skate Event on Sunday, February 9, from 1:00-2:30pm. Enjoy a "sweet" afternoon of skating, a visit from everyone's favorite snowman, a balloon character from our balloon artist (time permitting), raffles and music provided by our DJ. The Ice Arena is located at 9320 S. Kenton Avenue. The fee for this event is \$7.00 for admission and \$3.00 for skate rental. For more information, please contact 708-857-5173.

### Oak Lawn Park District Teen Theatre Production of "Chicago" High School Edition

Tickets are available for the Oak Lawn Park District Teen Show Theatre Production of "Chicago" High School Edition. The production will run at the Oak View Center, 4625 W. 110th St., on Friday, February 14th and Friday, February 21st at 7:30pm, Saturday, February 15th and Saturday, February 22nd at 7:30pm, and Sunday, February 16th and Sunday, February 23rd at 3:00pm. Tickets are \$18. Tickets are available at the Oak View Center, by phone at 708-857-2200, or online at [www.showtix4u](http://www.showtix4u). For more information please call 708-857-2200.

### Oak Lawn Park District Rentals

Looking to host a party or event this holiday season? Book your next get together at the Oak Lawn Park District. Our facilities include the Community Pavilion located at 9401 S. Oak Park Ave., Central Pool located at 9400 S. Kenton Ave., Centennial Aquatic Center located at 94th & Nashville Ave., Ice Arena located at 9320 S. Kenton Ave., Racquet Fitness & Gymnastics Center located at 10444 S. Central Ave., Oak View Center located at 4625 W. 110th St., and Stony Creek Golf Course Restaurant and Banquets located at 5850 W. 103rd St. Rentals and party options vary with each facility.



# New & Prospective Member Breakfast



**Wednesday, February 19th**  
**8:00 AM**  
**TBA**  
**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 2020 new members. \$5 for current members. Kindly RSVP to the Chamber office.

[Click Here to RSVP](#)

## Lunch & Learn

### OAK LAWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE "LUNCH & LEARN" EVENT

**Wednesday, January 15, 2020 • 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**  
**Oak Lawn Public Library, Lower Level Room C**

**Complimentary lunch  
provided by the  
Ambassador Committee  
R.S.V.P. Requested**

### "Fortune is in the Follow-up; How to Cultivate Business Relationships"

Panel Presentation and Role Play by  
Oak Lawn Chamber Ambassador Committee



[Click Here to RSVP](#)

# CHAMBER PHOTO GALLERY

## Bethany BAH



## Multi-Chamber Luncheon



## Fannie May BAH





# CHAMBER PHOTO GALLERY

## Shop Oak Lawn



## Sassy Girl BAH



## New & Prospective Member Breakfast



## December Luncheon



# Business After Hours School District 123



THE BEST TIME OF THE DAY

## BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Join us for networking and light fare from  
Les Brothers Restaurant & Prime Time Restaurant

WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 22, 2020  
5 PM TO 7 PM. AT



OAK LAWN - HOMETOWN  
MIDDLE SCHOOL  
5345 WEST 99TH STREET OAK LAWN, IL

COVINGTON  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
9130 S. 52ND AVE.  
OAK LAWN, ILLINOIS

HANNUM  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
9800 S. TRIPP AVE.  
OAK LAWN, ILLINOIS

HOMETOWN  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
8870 S. DUFFY AVE.  
HOMETOWN, ILLINOIS

KOLMAR  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
10425 S. KOLMAR AVE.  
OAK LAWN, ILLINOIS

SWARD  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
9830 S. BRANDT AVE.  
OAK LAWN, ILLINOIS

OAK LAWN-HOMETOWN  
MIDDLE SCHOOL  
5345 WEST 99TH ST.  
OAK LAWN, ILLINOIS

[Click Here to RSVP](#)



# February Luncheon State of the Village



## February Luncheon

### & STATE OF THE VILLAGE ADDRESS

Tuesday, February 11th

Hilton Oak Lawn

9333 S. Cicero Ave.

11:30 a.m. registration

12:00 p.m. Lunch

Cost: \$20 to attend

To RSVP and pay online

Visit our website at [www.oaklawnchamber.com](http://www.oaklawnchamber.com)

Call: (708) 424-8300

Email: [office@oaklawnchamber.com](mailto:office@oaklawnchamber.com)



**Guest Speaker**  
**Village President**  
**Dr. Sandra Bury**



[Click Here to RSVP](#)

# January 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Happy New Year	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Board Meeting	15 Lunch & Learn	16	17	18 Installation
19	20 	21	22 BAH	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

**Wednesday, January 1, 2020**  
Happy New year



**Tuesday, January 14th, 11:00 AM**  
Board Meeting ,Hilton Oak Lawn  
9333 S Cicero Ave  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

**Wednesday, January 15th, 11:30 AM**  
Lunch & Learn Oak Lawn Library  
9427 S Raymond Ave  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

**Saturday, January 18th, 6:00 PM**  
Installation Dinner Oak Lawn Hilton  
9333 S Cicero Ave  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

**Wednesday, January 22nd, 5:00 PM**  
Business After School District 123  
5345 W 99th St  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

# February 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Luncheon	12 Ambassador Meeting	13	14 	15
16	17 	18	19 New & Pro- spective Member Breakfast	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

**Tuesday, February 11th, 11:30 AM**  
February Luncheon & State of the Village  
Hilton Oak Lawn  
9333 S Cicero Ave  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

**Wednesday, February 12th, 8:00 AM**  
Ambassador Committee Meeting  
Les Brothers  
8705 Ridgeland Ave  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

**Wednesday February 19th, 8:00 AM**  
New & Prospective Member Breakfast  
Location TBD