THE OAK LAWN NETWORKER

Brought to you by the 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."

2020 Board of Directors

The Chamber would like to thank all the Board Members for volunteering their time to make this Chamber successful.



Congratulations to
Oak Lawn Public Library
who was recognize as the 2019
Outstanding Chamber Member of the year.



March/April 2020

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President's Message



Happy Spring everyone!

I am absolutely honored to be serving as your 2020 president. We have a busy year ahead of us filled with exciting events! Maximize your membership, and visit the chamber's website. Here are three great reasons why...

Market your business. If you're a member of the chamber, you can customize your page! Just sign in and edit your link on the directory. In addi-

tion to your basic business information, you can easily add logos, photos, links to blogs, special promotions... just about anything! If you have trouble accessing your page, Ryan Lichter, our webpage expert, is just a phone call away at EP Web Solutions (708) 949-6367.

Share your knowledge by joining a committee. If you'd like to become more involved in the chamber, but not sure how, then browse around the committee page. You can read about the committees, see who else is participating, and discover when they meet. You can also sign up right on the page. This is an excellent way to network with other members, and apply your skill set outside of your industry.

Network at a variety of events. Check out the events calendar on the website. It is full of amazing networking events, and more get added every week! With such a variety, there is something for everyone. If you have an event you'd like to add to the calendar, you can do that too

Spring is a wonderful time to regroup and think outside the box. I strongly encourage you to visit the website, become a more active member, and leverage your membership! Speaking of leveraging your membership, the Board of Directors is hard at work creating a Mentorship Program. Stay tuned for more details... maybe check the website!

Sincerely,

Katie Narbone

www.oaklawnchamber.com



2020 Officers and Directors

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Dr. Katie Narbone (Premier Vision Care)

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George Cachares (Fyzical Therapy & Balance Center)

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Kathleen Farrell (Oak Lawn Bank & Trust)

Dr. David Finkelstein (Oak Lawn Foot & Ankle)

Rvan Lichter (Evergreen Park Web Solutions)

Jose Pareja (JP Architects Ltd.)

Mike Riordan (Oak Lawn Community High School)

Nael Shalabi (Republic Bank)

Tatiana Stantier (Jason's Deli)

Mike Sutko (World Travel Mart)

Term Expiring 12/31/21

Mike Abdallah (Style 95 Barber Shop)

Joe Cwiklinski (Century 21 Affiliated Pro Team)

Bernard Deir (Midwest Business Consulting)

David A. Dewar (Tax-Free Retirement Solutions)

Greg Greiman (Haves Local Marketing)

James Hyslaman (Christ Madical Contan)

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Charlie Shirk (Hilton Chicago / Oak Lawn)

Sharon Vetsch (The Quick Book Pro Advisor)

Natasha Williams (Three 20 Media)

Chamber Staff

Julie Miller - Executive Director

Your Chamber at a Glance

- Ambassador Meetings
- Business After Hours
- Luncheon
- Lunch & Learn
- Multi Business After Hours
- Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies

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

Save the Date! Annual Golf Outing Wednesday, July 15th



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! 40 chances to win with each ticket!

Congratulations to the winners

January 2020

Walsh Boys - \$100 Helen Cuprisin, Alphabet Soup - \$50 Richard Marshall , Marshal Dental - \$25 Tom Fox, Jr, Fox's Pub - \$25

February

Nancy Costello - \$100 Eileen Kerlin- Walsh, Kerlin-Walsh Law - \$50 Peter Fejzuloski - \$25 Peter Fejzuloski - \$25

Membership Blast

Program - Spots Available for 2020

Member of the Week email blast 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.

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

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Alternative Business Suppliers, Inc.

Dan Cullen 600 Joliet Rd. #M Willow Brook, IL 60527 630-789-0333 www,ecopiers.net

Dixon's Dirt Stoppers, LLC

Matthew Dixon 9424 S. 83rd Ct. Hickory Hills, IL 60457 (872) 221-2377 www.dixondirtstoppers.com

Floralore

Lisa Wiencek 9920 S Ridgeland Ave Chicago Ridge, IL 60415 708-512-4224 www.floraloredesigns.com

Kidney Care Center

J. Wood-Kelly 4712 W. 103rd St. Oak Lawn, IL 60453 708-598-2448

Kiswani Law, P.C.

Mervate Mohammad, Esq. 9525 S. 79th Ave. Hickory Hills, IL 60457 708-210-9247 www.kiswanilawfirm.com

The Great American Bagel

Luke Lally 10814 S Cicero Ave Oak Lawn, IL 60453 708-499-5620 www.facebook.com/greatamericanbagel/OL

World Data Systems

Laura Shallow 18440 Thompson Ct., Suite 201 Tinley Park, IL 60477 708-407-7712 708-704-6838 Cell www.worlddatasystems.com



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Wednesday, March 18th

A.E.R.O. Connect Program, 2020 "Abilities Fair" 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM, Multi Purpse Room Reavis High School, 6034 W. 77th St., Please enter through door H

Thursday, March 19th

Oak Lawn Community High School is teaming up with Young Hearts for Life (YH4L) to provide free heart screenings, called an electrocardiogram (ECG), to all high school students . This screening identifies high school students at risk for sudden cardiac death. To date over 230,000 students have been screened as a result of YH4L. More information about the screening can be found on the YH4L website (www.yh4l.org).

We need your help!!!

Many volunteers are needed, If you are available, below are instructions on how to register as a volunteer. There will be separate female stations and male stations, so we are in need of both women and men volunteers. Thank you for helping us with this very important lifesaving event.

If you have any questions, please contact Maria

Vanderwarren: mvanderwarren@olchs.org or 708-741-5602.

TO REGISTER AS A VOLUNTEER:

Thank you for your interest in helping us provide ECG screenings to the students a t Oak Lawn Community High School on March 19, 2020.

All volunteers are required to attend a mandatory training session that is held the evening before the event on March 18, 2020. Please follow the directions below to register for the training session and preferred work session.

- Click this link to go to our invitation page on SignUp.com: https://signup.com/go/jyvj|wp
- 2. Enter your email address. (you do not need to set up an account)
- 3. Sign up!

Be sure to sign up for your <u>training session</u> **AND** your <u>volunteer shift</u> the day of the screening. SignUp.com will send you an automated confirmation and reminders

Saturday March 21st

Shred Day

Bring your old financial documents to this public shred event presented in partnership with Oak Lawn Bank & Trust from 9 a.m.-I p.m. on Saturday, March 21, at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 9427 S. Raymond Ave. A Cintas truck will be on the Raymond Ave. side in the bank parking lot to shred your documents on the spot. Limit: Three boxes per person. Please plan to take empty boxes home with you.

For more information about this and other adult programs, call 708-422-4990 or visit www.olpl.org.

Tuesday, March 31st

Moraine Valley Community College, Building M 9000 W. College Parkway, Palos Hills, IL 60465

Moraine Valley Community College and Joliet Junior College invite you to attend The 2020 Illinois Higher Education Supplier Diversity Lunch and Learn at Moraine Valley Community College in Palos Hills, Illinois. Join Illinois community colleges, state universities and assisting agencies at this networking event to learn how to become a successful partner and establish business relationships. Registration is free. We look forward to this excellent networking opportunity. For more information visit https://www.morainevalley.edu/supplierlunch

Oak Lawn Library ~ Request for Book Sale Donations

Donate your gently used books, magazines, CDs and videos to the Friends of the Oak Lawn Library's ongoing book sale at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 9427 S. Raymond Ave. Due to space limitations, the Friends will not accept "Readers Digest Condensed Books," encyclopedias and older textbooks The donation drop-off area is near the Library's Cook Avenue entrance. Interested parties may fill out a short form at the Customer Services Desk to receive a tax letter by mail that acknowledges their donation.

Thursday, May 7th

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR MAY'S OLDER AMERICAN'S MONTH Help recognize older adults in Palos, Lemont, Orland and Worth Townships for their incredible civic service and support quality community programming and services. PLOWS Council on Aging has multiple sponsorship opportunities to celebrate our inaugural activities during May's Older Americans Month. Annual Community Champions Luncheon

A full series of engaging, educational, social and fun activities to inform and support the health and well-being of older adults and their families

 A partnership with the Chicago Tribune to produce a new events publication in May (circulated to 30,000 readers with another 5,000 copies distributed throughout 20 communities)

Please contact Christine Suddreth at 708-361-0219 or c.suddreth@plows.org to learn more! All sponsorships will be finalized by early March.

Oak Lawn Park District News

Find out what is happening by clicking the link below. What's Happening



Farmers Market



Business of the Week at the 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 3rd at Cook and Dumke Drive, outside the Oak Lawn Public Library.

Again this year, the Chamber will offer a spot for a member per week to be our featured at the Chamber's table. Spots will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. **Reservations is 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

Lunch & Learn

Oak Lawn Chamber
"LUNCH & LEARN" EVENT
Thursday, April 16th
Oak Lawn Library
Lower Level
9427 S. Raymond Ave.
11:30 AM



Don't forget to bring your lunch.

CHAMBER PHOTO GALLERY

Installation









Lunch & Learn



School District 123 BAH





CHAMBER PHOTO GALLERY

February Luncheon





New & Prospective Breakfast





MetaForm Grand Opening





Business After Hours United Insurance Services

A chance to network with local businesses **Business After Hours Event** UNITE Join us for a multi chamber event: Palos area Chamber of Commerce and Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce Refreshments will be provided Wednesday, March 5th, 2020 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm UNITED INSURANCE SERVICES 6500 W COLLEGE DR. PALOS HEIGHTS, IL 60463 Bring your business cards to be included in a raffle! Office Locations Corporate Office Satellite Office Satellite Office Florida Office 449 Central Ave 1821 Walden Office Square 300 S Wacker Dr. 6500 W College Dr. Suite 3100 Suite 202 Chicago, IL 60606 St. Petersburg, FL 33701 Suite 400 Palos Heights, IL 60463 Schaumburg, IL 60173

Business After Hours Complete Vision Care





Jenna Studios (Division of) ChiTown Photography



March Luncheon



April Luncheon

April Monthly Luncheon

TUESDAY, APRIL 14
HILTON CHICAGO/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
Call: (708) 424-8300

Email: office@oaklawnchamber.com



March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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26	27	28	29	30		

Thursday, March 5thJoint Business After Hours with Palos Heights United Insurance 6500 W. College Dr. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Tuesday, March 10th

Monthly Luncheon Oak Lawn Community High School 9400 Southwest Hwy. 11:30 Networking & Registration Noon lunch Cost \$20

Wednesday, March 11th

Ambassador Committee Meeting Les Brothers 8705 Ridgeland Ave. 8:00 AM

Wednesday, March 18th

Business After Hours Complete Vision Care 6209 W. 95th St. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Wednesday, April 1st

Health & Safety Expo Oak Lawn Senior Center 5220 W. 105th St. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Wednesday, April 8th

Ambassador Committee Meeting Les Brother 8:00 AM

Wednesday, April 8th

Business After Hours Jeena Studios 6723 W. 111th St. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Tuesday, April 14th Monthly Luncheon Hilton Chicago / Oak Lawn 9333 S. Cicero Ave. 11:30 AM Networking & Registration Noon Lunch Cost \$20

Thursday, April 16th

Lunch & Learn Oak Lawn Public Library 9427 S. Raymond Ave. Lower Level 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Thursday, April 30th

Multi Chamber Business After Hours MidAmerica Ortho 10330 S. Roberts Rd. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM