

# 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.”*

## Marketing Opportunities in 2021

**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.

**Oak Lawn Farmer’s Market**—The Village of Oak Lawn hosts an annual Farmer’s Market every Wednesday from 6/9/21—10/13/21. The Oak Lawn Chamber has a table in a key central location that is available to Chamber Members for \$25 per week. Contact the Chamber Office if you would like to sign up.

**Website** - All members are listed for free on our website. So don’t forget to claim your page. You can post videos, pictures and even blog! If you don’t know how to use any of these free marketing tools, contact the Chamber Office. 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** - The Oak Lawn Chamber Golf Outing is 7/14/21 at Stony Creek Golf Course. It is the biggest marketing opportunity for its members. There are ways to advertise your business by golfing and sponsorship.

**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**

## JULY/AUGUST 2021

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## We’re BAAACK!!

Most businesses are now open at 100% capacity. Now is the time to step out and enjoy some of the great shops, restaurants, bars and stores that we have in Oak Lawn.

Remember—SHOP SMALL & SHOP LOCAL!

# Chamber President's Message

*"Everything good, everything magical happens between the months of June and August." - Jenny Han*

Let's celebrate summer and the reopening of businesses phase 5. If you are comfortable, visit your favorite Oak Lawn Chamber member restaurants or shops. For a list of our members, visit <https://oaklawnchamber.com/members.php>

Help us celebrate summer and America -- join us at 4:00 p.m. for Oak Lawn's parade on July 3rd. The parade will start at 95th Street & La-Crosse Ave and proceed west to 55th Court. Join in the free festivities after the parade on the Village Green. There will be free entertainment! Take a day away from the office on July 14th for our Annual Golf Outing at Stony Creek and reconnect with your fellow Chamber members. If you're not a golfer, I encourage all of you to join us for networking and lunch on the patio! In years past, we've focused on this event as being a fundraiser. But because of the challenges of the last year, let's enjoy it as a great opportunity to socialize, engage, learn about each other's businesses, and deepen our relationships. Sponsorship or donations are not required. If you are in a position to sponsor, opportunities are available; contact Executive Director Anne Fritz 708-424-8300.

As summer unfolds, my weekly Facebook LIVE has moved from Spring Tea to Lemonade on the Porch. Join me Fridays for tips that protect your assets, yourselves and your loved ones, avoid court involvement, and preserve family harmony.

At Kerlin Walsh Law, we've also grown. I'm thrilled to announce the addition of a new associate attorney, Regina R. Cairo, and the promotion of Joelle Doyle to Managing Attorney. We've added other team members and continue to help our estate planning clients via Zoom and in person at our office in Palos Heights.

My event in May at the Chicago-Oak Lawn Hilton on "The Soul of Your Business" was a success, and we're planning another in the Fall. In September, I'll be a main stage sponsor at the "Turnaround Conference", a virtual three-day event attended by thousands of business owners. This will be a marvelous opportunity to grow your business. Tickets to the event are normally \$197; as a speaker I have complimentary tickets available, please contact me to get yours. I continue my other speaking engagements on topics such as business success, life skills, estate planning, and a digital storytelling program.

Oak Lawn is full of exciting happenings all around! Our Oak Lawn Public Library is fully reopened and accepting book donations. The used bookstore, "Friends Booksale" run by the volunteer group, The Friends of the Oak Lawn Public Library, is open again for treasure seeking.

Oak Lawn Park District pools and parks are open. Lawn Manor Park at 108th & Kostner Avenue has been newly renovated to include a spray pad, sand volleyball court, walking paths, two basketball courts, two tennis courts, pickleball court and site lighting.

The Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce will celebrate its 75th Anniversary this year with an event at Stony Creek in October. Having been robbed of our installation dinner in January, we intend to pull out all the stops! Details to follow.

As we enter the third quarter of 2021, consider marketing opportunities that our Chamber offers, including: Farmer's Market table Wednesdays through 10/13/21, Business Showcase in conjunction with the Oak Lawn Community High School Fall Craft Show on Saturday, 10/16/21. Member in the Spotlight, Video Business After Hours, Fire and Safety Coloring Books, 2022 Directory and New Member Ribbon Cuttings. Look for details in upcoming email blasts, or contact the Chamber office for information on how to participate.

My wish for all of you is good health, strong businesses, and continued growth.



Eileen Kerlin Walsh

Principal Attorney, Kerlin Walsh Law

## 2021 Officers and Directors

President

Eileen Kerlin-Walsh (Kerlin-Walsh Law)

1st Vice President

Jim Makina (Allegra Marketing \* Print \* Mail)

2nd Vice President

Phil Costello (Oak Lawn Park District)

Treasurer

Jeff Reynolds (Nothing Bundt Cakes)

Secretary

Natasha Williams (Three20 Media)

Immediate Past President

Dr. Katie Narbone (Premier Vision Care)

## 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 (Hayes Local Marketing)

James Huelsman (Christ Medical Center)

Tom Javorcic (Oak Lawn Public Library)

Jeremy Marek (Marek Lawn & Landscape, Inc)

Ginger Morgan (Thompson & Kuenster F.H.)

Charlie Shirk (Hilton Chicago / Oak Lawn)

Sharon Vetsch (The Quick Book Pro Advisor)

## Term Expiring 12/31/22

George Cachares (Fyzical Therapy & Balance Center)

Mary Downing (Complete Vision Care)

Paul Enderle (Oak Lawn Hometown School District 123)

Kathleen Farrell (Oak Lawn Bank & Trust)

Dr. David Finkelstein (Oak Lawn Foot & Ankle)

Dr. Casey Hogan (Advance Eye Care Professionals, P.C.)

Ryan Lichter (Evergreen Park Web Solutions)

Mike Riordan (Oak Lawn Community High School)

Aaron Schiappa (ADP)

Nael Shalabi (Republic Bank)

Jill Stetson (Skin Trust)

Mike Sutko (World Travel Mart)

## Chamber Staff

Anne M Fritz - Executive Director

Jennifer Villafan - Administrative Assistant

## Your Chamber at a Glance

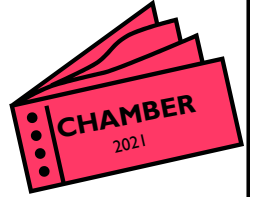
- **Ambassador Meetings**
- **Marketing Committee Meetings**
- **Video Business After Hours**
- **Member in the Spotlight**
- **Monthly Member Luncheon**
- **Quarterly Lunch & Learn**
- **Quarterly New & Prospective Member Breakfasts**

Please check the calendar on page **15** for the Chamber website for time and location.

All events are posted on our website:  
[www.oaklawchamber.com](http://www.oaklawchamber.com)

## 2021 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! Every ticket has 4 chances to win each month!  
Winning tickets are place back for even more chances!

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS!

#### **May Winners**

Kenwood Liquor—\$100

Joni McMillan—\$50

Mike Sutko—\$25

Paula Mahn—\$25

#### **June Winners**

Peg Hanson—\$100

Jim Gorney—\$50

Diana Cooperus—\$25

Don Dvornik—\$25

## NOW is a GREAT time to JOIN or REJOIN the CHAMBER!

We know this last year has been really challenging for some of our small and local businesses. NOW would be a great time to re-join the Chamber with our upcoming Golf Outing, Oak Lawn's Farmer's Market, 4th of July Parade and our new offering of the **Video** Business After Hours.

Call or email Anne Fritz at the Chamber Office for more information.

(708) 424-8300 office@oaklawchamber.com



# WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

## **Allegiance Staffing**

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5667 W. 95<sup>th</sup> Steet, Suite A  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453  
(773) 664-8618

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## **Cilia's Home Cleaning Service**

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## **Giacomo Giovanni Salon & Spa**

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giacomogiovannisalondspa](https://www.vagaro.com/giacomogiovannisalondspa)

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## **Mission Maximize**

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<https://www.loansmissionmaximize.com/>

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[contact@virduial.com](mailto:contact@virduial.com)

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



**Just a few 2021 “Member in the Spotlight”  
Spots Available!  
Call NOW to reserve!**

**Member in Spotlight 2021**

**Sign up today**



Registration for 2021 Member in a Spotlight is now open. This is your chance to digitally promote your business to our members for only \$25. If you would like to sign up please contact the chamber office 708-424-8300 or [office@oaklawnchamber.com](mailto:office@oaklawnchamber.com)  
These spots fill up fast so call today!

**[FOR MORE INFORMATION ON MEMBER IN THE SPOTLIGHT CLICK HERE.](#)**

## ANNOUNCING OAK LAWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

# VIDEO BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Give your customers an inside look at your business with a high quality promotional video.

Join the list of businesses featured in our video directory series.

**Business Promotional Video offered at \$400 Special Chamber Member Price. Non-Member pricing also available.**

### Video Package Includes:

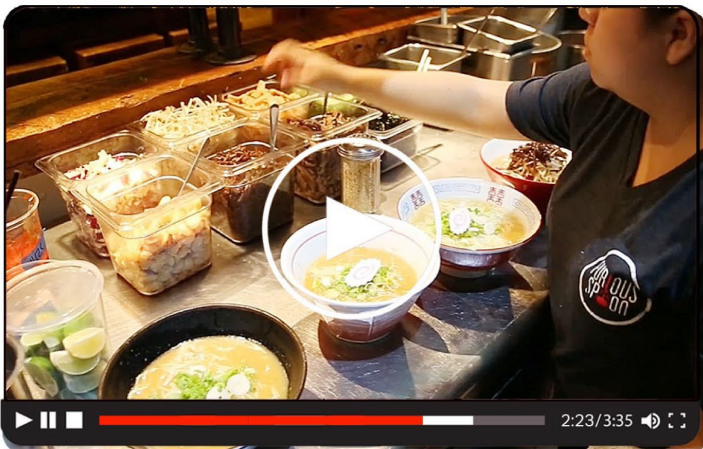
- Owner interview
- Footage inside of business
- Custom options available

 [VIEW THIS SAMPLE VIDEO HERE](#)

CONTACT THE CHAMBER FOR MORE INFORMATION

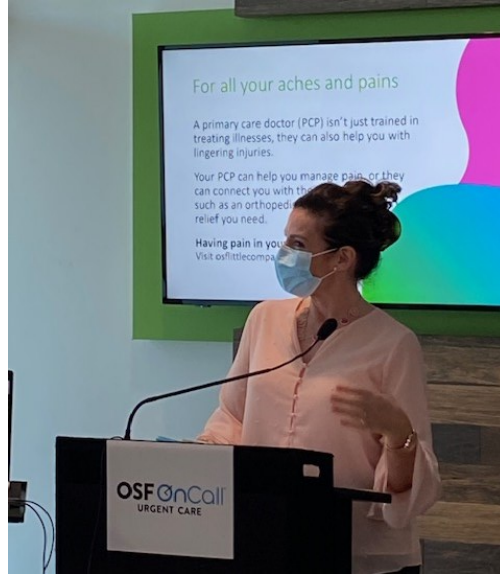
  
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# 2021 May/June Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies

**OSF OnCall Urgent Care**  
6356 W 95th Street  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453



**Jacquelyn Nails & Spa**  
5501 W. 95th Street  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453



**Express Employment Professionals**  
4710 W. 95th Street, A7  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453



# 2021 Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies

Las Cerezas  
9513 S. Cicero Avenue  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453



Rockefellers  
4642 W. 103rd Street  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453



DuPage Medical Group  
4061 W 95th Street  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453





# May New & Prospective Member Breakfast



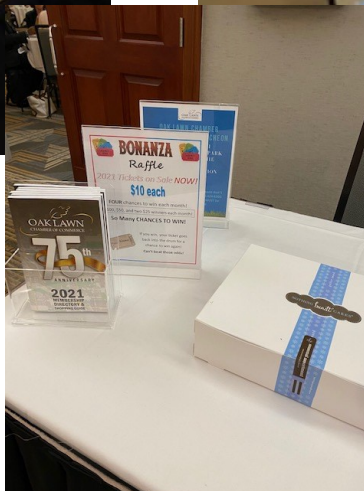
Thank you Stony Creek for a great event!



# May Chamber Member Luncheon—Hilton Oak Lawn



Thanks to Nothing Bundt Cakes for the donation of delicious bundtins!



# June Chamber Member Luncheon—Wolf Wildlife



**SO MANY NEW MEMBERS!!!**

Thank you to Oak Lawn Park District for hosting!

Thank you to Taqueria El Perez for catering our luncheon.

Special thanks to Andy's Frozen Custard for donating dessert!

# Annual Chamber Golf Outing, July 14, 2021

SPOTS STILL AVAILABLE TO GOLF IN THE ANNUAL OAK LAWN CHAMBER GOLF OUTING!!

Register your foursome now! Call the Oak Lawn Chamber office (708) 424-8300

The outing will include the following registration raffle prizes:

Two Chicago Blackhawk tickets (date TBD), courtesy of J.P. Architects

Four Chicago White Sox vs. Minnesota Twins, Tuesday, July 20th, 7:10 PM, w/ parking pass  
courtesy of Midwest Business Consulting

**OAK LAWN  
BANK & TRUST<sup>®</sup>**  
Major Sponsor



## Annual Oak Lawn Chamber Golf Outing

Wednesday, July 14, 2021  
Stony Creek Golf Course  
5850 W 103rd St  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

**Registration 11:00 AM**

**BBQ Lunch 11:30 AM**

**Shotgun Start 1:00 PM**

**Golf & Lunch \$80    Lunch \$20**  
**Complimentary drinks on patio after golf.**

Visit our website [www.oaklawnchamber.com](http://www.oaklawnchamber.com)  
or call 708-424-8300 to register.

We are not asking for donations  
this year. Sponsorships are available.  
If interested, please call the chamber.

Click [HERE](#) to Register for Golf or a Sponsorship

## July Lunch & Learn

# Virtual Lunch & Learn

Oak Lawn Chamber Lunch & Learn

Thursday, July 22, 2021

11:30 AM via Zoom

Jean Kuhn ~ Speaker, Business Strategist,  
Entrepreneur & Author

"Increase Your Cash Flow Fast!"



Click [HERE](#) to register for the  
July Lunch & Learn

Jean Kuhn ~ "Increase Your Cash Flow Fast!"

# August Chamber Member Luncheon



## OAK LAWN CHAMBER AUGUST LUNCHEON

**Tuesday August 10**  
**Hilton Oak Lawn**  
**9333 S Cicero Ave**  
**Oak Lawn, IL 60453**

**Registration –11:30**  
**Lunch –12:00**  
**Cost –\$20**

**RSVP 708-424-8300 or**  
**[office@oaklawnchamber.com](mailto:office@oaklawnchamber.com)**

[REGISTER FOR AUGUST LUNCHEON](#)

# July 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 4th of July Parade 4pm
4 Independence Day! 	5 Office Closed	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Annual Golf Outing	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Lunch & Learn 11:30 am	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

**Office Hours**  
Monday—Thursday  
9 am—3 pm

Saturday, July 3rd 4 pm  
Oak Lawn 4th of July Parade

Monday, July 5th  
Office Closed

Wednesday, July 14th  
Annual Golf Outing

Thursday, July 22nd 11:30 am  
Lunch & Learn via Zoom

# August 2021


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Member Luncheon 12 pm	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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**Office Hours**  
Monday—Thursday  
9 am—3 pm

Tuesday, August 10th 12 pm  
Chamber Member Luncheon  
Hilton Oak Lawn



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