

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.

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
(Currently on Hold due to Limited Access to Metra Train Station)

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

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's 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

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2021

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5120 Museum Drive
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

Welcome Spring!

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 2021 to make this another successful year.

Chamber President's Message



This is the 75th year our Chamber has been in existence! That's a lot of history and perseverance and I accept the task and privilege of carrying the torch onwards.

I acknowledge outgoing President Dr. Katie Narbone and outgoing Executive Director Julie Miller. The level of care and attention they gave the Chamber as we were plunged into the Pandemic will live in legend. To the Board Directors and Executive Directors, and Elected Officials and Community Leaders, thank you in advance for your partnership and counsel.

This role is a true honor for me, one I would not have easily foreseen 30 years ago when I came to the United States from Ireland. All these years later, I assume the mantle of Oak Lawn Chamber President, and continue as Principle of my own Law Office.

As a Chamber we have come a long way and we still have a long way to go. 2020 presented tremendous challenges that many of us are still recovering from, but it also gave us new tools and skills to overcome hardship, build resilience, and to use as stepping stones going forward.

We will continue to implement our 5 year Strategic plan and develop our budding business advisory Council and Mentorship program. We will convert more of our events to a virtual platform. We will continue to nurture our Baby Boomer and Greatest Generation members with traditional events but also encourage future-forward technology offerings from our Millennials and Gen Z-ers, all the while staying true to our mission.

Let's come together to ensure our ongoing success. We have a powerful brand, an independent voice, the respect of our elected officials and support of our community leaders. Our legacy of standing up for this community and our members is unmatched. We business owners have the cloak of respectability society bestows on us, and we can lead, teach, heal and inspire with it.

Let's continue to serve humanity. Need is still great in many corners of our community.

Let's stay curious, and non-critical. Let's hold the door for each other. Let's keep our hearts open to love and beauty and possibility.

Together, we can be a positive collective voice. We can be a symphony. We can be the sword and shield of our business members, the champion of our community and, in the process, enrich our professional and personal lives.

Sincerely,
Eileen Kerlin Walsh
2021 Chamber President

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**
- **Business After Hours**
- **Member in the Spotlight**
- **Monthly Member Luncheon**
- **Quarterly Lunch & Learn**
- **Quarterly New & Prospective Member Breakfasts**

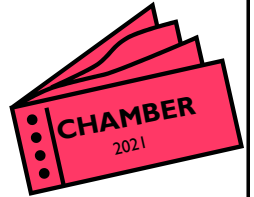
Please check the calendar on page 8 for the Chamber website for time and location.

All events are posted on our website:

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!

January Winners

Dr. David Finklestein—\$100

Oak Lawn Lions—\$50

Gail Egan—\$25

Oak Lawn Lions—\$25

February Winners

Mancari Chrysler Jeep—\$100

OLCHS—\$50

Allegra Marketing * Print* Mail—\$25

Kevin Meely, Oak Lawn Tax Service—\$25

**Now is a great time to join the Chamber!
If you have a local business, reach out to us
to learn about the benefits of joining.**

(708) 424-8300

This is no Average Chamber!



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Duffy Design

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2021 "Member in the Spotlight" Spots Available!

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
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


OAK LAWN
 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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2021 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Pictures

Taqueria El Perez
10312 S Central Avenue
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 634-2224



Sassy Girl Chalet Marketplace
7724 W College Dr., Unit B
Palos Heights, IL 60463
(708) 752-5397



March Luncheon

Oak Lawn Chamber March Virtual Luncheon

March 9, 2021

12:00 PM

March Virtual Luncheon

We will be acknowledging the OLCHS
artists whose illustrations were used in the
2020 Fire & Safety Coloring Book!

Don't forget to RSVP



April Luncheon ~ Please RSVP



IN-Person April Luncheon

Come network in person for our
April Luncheon

APRIL 13, 2021
11:30 CHECK IN
12:00 LUNCH

Hilton Chicago Oak Lawn
9333 S Cicero Ave
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

**Space is limited please don't
forget to RSVP 708-424-8300**

PLEASE REGISTER FOR [APRIL](#) LUNCHEON HERE

April Lunch & Learn

Virtual Lunch & Learn

Lynn Lionhood :
"Transforming Networking in 2021 and
Beyond".

Wednesday, April 21
11:30 AM



PLEASE REGISTER FOR THE VIRTUAL
APRIL LUNCH & LEARN [HERE](#)

Follow The Chamber!



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March 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Member Luncheon 12 pm	10 Ambassador Meeting 8 am	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Office Hours
Monday—Thursday 9 am—3 pm

Tuesday, March 10th
Chamber Member Luncheon ~
Virtual, 12 pm

Wednesday, March 11th
Ambassador Meeting
Virtual, 8 am

April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Member Luncheon 12 pm	14 Ambassador Meeting 8 am	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Lunch & Learn 11:30 pm	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Office Hours
Monday—Thursday 9 am—3 pm

Tuesday, April 13th
Chamber Member Luncheon ~
Location TBD, 12 pm

Wednesday, April 14th
Ambassador Meeting
Location TBD, 8 am

Wednesday, April 21st
Lunch & Learn
Location TBD 11:30 pm

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