

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 2021/2022

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 700+ registered email subscribers. Your email can include logo, photos, even links to your website! These blasts 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.

2022 Schedule is available—CALL NOW!

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.oaklawchamber.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.

Business After Hours - BAH's are after work networking events that provide the opportunity for Chamber Members and others to visit your business "after hours:" to learn more about your products and services while networking with fellow members.

2022 Schedule is available—CALL NOW!

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. **RENEW your membership now!**

Shop Oak Lawn - Celebrate Small Business Saturday by participating in the Shop Oak Lawn Small Business Expo on 11/27/21. This event is held in conjunction with the Village of Oak Lawn's Santa on the Green.

Shop Oak Lawn Chamber Raffle - The Chamber is holding a raffle for those who "Shop Oak Lawn" from 11/1/21—12/31/21. For every \$100 spent within the 60453 zip code, you will receive one raffle ticket.

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

November/December 2021

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PLEASE SHOP LOCAL!

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

"November starts in tattered gold, tossing bits of amber and jade to the diamond-frosted claps of December, linking twelve jeweled months to yet another year." -Zephyr Ware Tarver and Phyllis Nicholson

Does this year feel like a whirlwind?! We have much to be thankful for and to celebrate.

Fall is in full swing, with the end of the Oak Lawn Farmers Market where the Chamber had a standing table. We're thankful for the various members who manned the table throughout the summer. Interesting fact: The Oak Lawn Farmers Market was started in the 80's by former OLCC Executive Director, Judy Grant. The Village eventually took that over to run it.

The Chamber has added over 40 new members since the beginning of 2021! We continue to have breakfasts, luncheons, and Business After Hours. We held a New & Prospective Member Breakfast in September at The Original Pancake House. Our September luncheon was held at new Oak Lawn restaurant Rockefeller's. It was well attended with over 50 members and various Village of Oak Lawn 'Who's Who'.

And oh, we had quite the gathering for the Chamber's 75th Anniversary, celebrating Polynesian style at Stony Creek Golf Course.

Over 20 Chamber members participated in the Oak Lawn Community High School Fall Craft Show and Business Showcase.

We are looking forward to the upcoming November 9th Multi-Chamber Luncheon at the Double Tree by Hilton, and don't forget to mark your calendars for the Shop Oak Lawn Raffle which runs from 11/1/21—12/31/21. For every \$100 spent in 60453, you get a raffle ticket!

At Kerlin Walsh Law, we are expanding our offices, same location, just more space! We now have a team of 10 with three attorneys. I'm truly grateful to you, my colleagues, friends and client family for our growth, and we will continue to serve our community as hard as ever.

I look forward to sponsoring a Chamber Business After Hours at our Kerlin Walsh Law location (11757 Southwest Highway, Palos Heights) on Wednesday, December 15th from 5 to 7 pm. Meet other members, create new relationships, and enjoy appetizers and beverages! Please register online or RSVP by calling the Chamber office.

A reminder to consider the many marketing and networking opportunities available to you, such as Member in the Spotlight, Video and In-Person Business After Hours, Advertising in the 2022 Directory, New Member Ribbon Cuttings and luncheons.

My wish for all of you is a healthy and happy holiday season.

Eileen Kerlin Walsh, J.D.

Principal Attorney, Kerlin Walsh Law



75th Anniversary Celebration!
OCTOBER 8, 2021



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)
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**
- **Business After Hours—2022**
- **Member in the Spotlight—2022**
- **Monthly Member Luncheon**
- **Quarterly Lunch & Learn**
- **Quarterly New & Prospective Member Breakfasts**

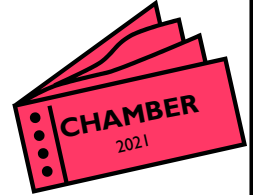
Please check the calendar on page **15** for the Chamber website for time and location.

All events are posted on our website:

www.oaklawchamber.com

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!

September Winners

Thank you to David Dewar for an additional raffle basket prize which was awarded to Tom Javorcic..

Leo Gutchewsky—\$100

Premiere Family Vision—\$50

Meg McEnery—\$25

The Genesis Center—\$25

October Winners

Thank you to Garvey Office Products for an additional raffle basket prize awarded to Ginger Morgan!

Joe Cwiklinkski—\$100

James Gorney—\$50

Monica Peterson—\$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 just in time to get an ad in the 2022 Membership Directory. Get first choice of the 2022 Member in the Spotlight and Business After Hours schedules. They fill up fast.

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

(708) 424-8300 office@oaklawchamber.com



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

@ Properties

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Orland Park, IL 60462
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www.bridgetgricushomes.com

Adam Doe State Farm

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Oak Park, IL 60302
(708) 665-3921
Juan.diaz.xc9r@statefarm.com
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Forward Mentoring Program

Daniel Stidham
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www.forwardmentoring.org

Go Promotions

Barb Markham
1510 Old Deerfield Rd., Suite 229
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(708) 479-0295
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www.gopromotions.com

GRZ Grub, LLC

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www.trojanplumbingcompany.com



2022 Dates are Open!

Business After Hours 2022

Schedule is open for 2022
Business After Hours. First come
first serve. Call today to make
sure you get the date you want!
Contact the Oak Lawn Chamber!



708-424-8300

Member in Spotlight 2022

Sign up Today!

Reserve your spot today to get your information out to other chamber members. 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

Video Business After Hours ~ Special Pricing Through End of 2021



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



(708) 424-8300
office@oaklawncchamber.com
Oaklawncchamber.com

2021 September/October Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies

Shake Shack
4071 W. 95th Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453



Birdies Sports Bar & Grill
4036 W. 111th Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453



September Luncheon ~ Rockefeller



October Luncheon ~ Hilton Oak Lawn



Oak Lawn Farmer's Market Farmer's Market Member of the Week!

See you next year!



September New & Prospective Member
Breakfast
The Original Pancake House



**75th Anniversary Celebration
October 8, 2021 at Stony Creek Golf Course**



Thank you Stony Creek for a great event!

**75th Anniversary Celebration
October 8, 2021 at Stony Creek Golf Course ~ cont'**



Thank you Stony Creek for a great event!

November Multi-Chamber Member Luncheon At the Double Tree by Hilton

JOIN US FOR A
DUAL-CHAMBER
LUNCHEON

OAK LAWN & ALSIP CHAMBER

NOVEMBER 9, 2021
11:30 AM REGISTRATION/NETWORKING
12:00PM LUNCH
COST - \$20
DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON IN ALSIP
5000 W 127TH ST
ALSIP, IL 60803

DON'T FORGET TO RSVP
OAK LAWN MEMBERS 708-424-8300
ALSIP MEMBERS 708-597-2668



REGISTER HERE!

**Multi-Chamber Business After Hours
Metra Train Station 5—7 PM**

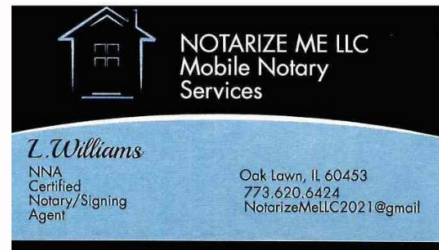
**Multi-Business
After Hours**

**WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 17
5:00-7:00PM**

**METRA STATION
5120 MUSEUM DR
OAK LAWN**



Jessica Knight Agency



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Food & Beverages
Provided

Don't forget to RSVP
708-424-8300

Mingle with
fellow business
owners!

REGISTER HERE!

December New & Prospective Member Breakfast



You're invited!

New and Prospective Member In-Person Breakfast



Wednesday
December 1, 2021
8:00 AM
Jason's Deli
6260 W 95th St
Oak Lawn, IL 60453



This will be a great opportunity for new & prospective members to learn about the Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce's activities, to be given the chance to join 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 members and one complimentary for 2021 new members. \$5 for current members. Kindly RSVP to the chamber office.

REGISTER HERE!



December Luncheon

DECEMBER 14, 2021

HILTON OAK LAWN
9333 S CICERO
OAK LAWN, IL 60453

11:30 REGISTRATION
12:00 LUNCH
COST \$20

Please don't forget
to RSVP

RSVP:
708-424-8300
WWW.OAKLAWNCHAMBER.COM

**OLCHS Choir
will be
performing
for us**

**Holiday
Luncheon**

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

Shop Small & Shop Local!
Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce Raffle Event

**Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce
Shop Local Event**

November 1st- December 31st

For every \$100 you spend at Oak Lawn businesses, you'll receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win one of these great prizes:

Grand prize:

\$500 in Gift Cards to Oak Lawn Businesses

Second place prize:

\$250 in Gift Cards to Oak Lawn Businesses

Plus, 7 additional prizes:

\$50 in gift cards to Oak Lawn businesses

To get your raffle tickets, bring your receipts (\$100) from any business with a 60453 ZIP code to these participating Oak Lawn locations:

Oak Lawn Bank & Trust

5300 W 95th Street

Annie's

5203 W 95th Street

Nothing Bundt Cake

10912 S. Cicero

Oakview Center

4625 W 110th Street

Oak Lawn Ice Arena

9320 S Kenton Avenue

Oak Lawn Racquet Club

10444 S Central Avenue

Oak Lawn Park District

Administration Office-

9400 S. Kenton

The winners will be selected on January 10, 2022

Presenting Sponsors:



Annie's



November 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 November Luncheon 12 pm	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Business After Hours Metra Train Station 5:00 pm	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Office Closed	26	27
28	29	30				

Office Hours
Monday—Thursday
9 am—3 pm

Wednesday, November 17th
 Multi-Chamber Member
 Metra Train Station
 Business After Hours
 5:00—7:00 pm

Thursday, November 25th
 Office Closed Thanksgiving

Wednesday, December 1st
 8:00 am
 New & Prospective Member
 Breakfast

Chamber office will be closed:
 Monday, December 27, 2021 to
 Friday, December 31, 2021.

We will reopen on Monday,
 January 3, 2022.

December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 New & Prospective Member Breakfast 8 AM	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 December Luncheon 12 pm	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day
26	27	28	29	30	31 Happy New Year!	



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