

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 2023

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. Call to schedule yours now!

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 800+ 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 \$30 a week.

Metra Station Stacks - 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 hundreds of commuters each day. This is free to all members.

Metra TV Ads - Advertise in the Metra Patriot station 24/7/365. Quarterly ads \$75 for members.

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 for a tutorial. This is free to all members.

Weekly Email Blasts - Free to all members! If you have event information to share with our community, email it to the Chamber office and it will be shared for the weeks leading up to the date.

**Please call the chamber office with any questions or
If you wish to advertise with us.**

708-424-8300

September/October 2023

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Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 424-8300**

REMEMBER!!!

**SHOP SMALL! SHOP LOCAL!
SHOP OAK LAWN!**

Chamber President's Message



Hello Chamber Members!

The kids are back in school, and the holidays are right around the corner! My managers can't wait to go into Starbucks or Dunkin to get their pumpkin spice. Fall is a great time of year, but personally I'm not the biggest fan of Winter which we all know is coming next.

On a sad note, we'd like to inform you that Anne Marie Casey Board Member, Past President and 42-year advocate of the Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce passed away on August 24, 2023. She was the Proud past recipient of Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce Woman-Owned Business of the Year Award, Past Co-Chairman of the Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing for thirty years. Anne was a community leader by example. She will be truly missed.

I can say she would have been very proud of this year's golf outing. As you all know, our annual golf outing was originally scheduled for Wednesday, July 12th at the Stoney Creek Golf Course. Mother Nature decided not to let that happen, therefore we postponed the event until August 30th. We filled up all the tee times and the sponsorship were overwhelming. A huge shout out to Nick Gulino, Kathleen Farrell and Anne Fritz for all their hard work to make this a successful event. Not to mention all the volunteers.

The scheduled Chamber luncheon for September will be a joint luncheon with the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce. The venue is The Double Tree in Alsip. Check-in begins at 11:30. Our membership continues to climb, and we are currently at 372!

Other events held recently included a ribbon cutting at Lemon K Salon and several Business after Hours which were: Style 95 & Tax-Free Retirement Solutions, Local Cantina and Marquette Bank.

Please join us for our upcoming events. Thursday, September 7, Business After Hours, McEnergy Financials and The Copper Top, 5-7, Wednesday, September 20th, Business After Hours, Hilton, 5-7.

And mark your calendars for the Fall Family Fest, Stony Creek Golf Course from 3 – 6pm. It is a wonderful family event.

Enjoy all your fall holidays. Be safe and please come out and join us for our events. The more involved you become the more valuable the Chamber will be for you. As always, feel free to reach out with any questions, comments or ideas that you have. Your participation is what makes our Chamber so fantastic.

Regards,
Jeffrey Reynolds, 2023 Chamber President

2023 Officers and Directors

President-Jeff Reynolds (Nothing Bundt Cakes)

1st Vice President-- Natasha Williams (Three20 Media)

2nd Vice President = Kathleen Farrell (Oak Lawn Bank & Trust)

Treasurer/Secretary - Nick Gulino (J.P. Architects, LLC.)

Immediate Past President-Jim Makina (Allegra Marketing * Print * Mail)

Term Expiring 12/31/23

Bernard Deir (Midwest Business Consulting)

David A. Dewar (Tax-Free Retirement Solutions)

Tom Javorcic (Oak Lawn Public Library)

Susan Latocha (Advocate Aurora Health Christ Medical)

Ginger Morgan (Thompson & Kuenster F.H.)

Daniel Stidham (Calvary Church)

Sharon Vetsch (The Quick Books Queen)

Nicole Wetzell (NEW Consulting)

Linda Wong (Express Employment Professionals)

Term Expiring 12/31/24

Dr. Sandra Bury (Complete Vision Care)

George Cachares (Fyzical Therapy & Balance Center)

Shannon Dahlman (Grace Point Place)

Joseph Eaton (Shark Shredding)

Dr. Paul Enderle (Oak Lawn Hometown School District 123)

Dr. David Finkelstein (Oak Lawn Foot & Ankle)

Mike Jacobson (Community High School District 218)

Erin Molek (BEDS Plus Care)

Steve Pappageorge (MVCC)

Jill Stetson (Skin Trust)

Mike Sutko (World Travel Mart)

Justin Waters (Oak Lawn Park District)

Chamber Staff

Anne M Fritz - Executive Director

Jennifer Villafan - Administrative Assistant

Your Chamber at a Glance

- **Ribbon Cuttings**
- **Business After Hours**
- **Member in the Spotlight**
- **Monthly Member Luncheons**
- **Quarterly Lunch & Learns**
- **Quarterly New & Prospective Member Breakfasts**

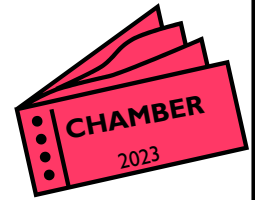
Please check the calendar on page **19** for the Chamber website for time and location.

All events are posted on our website:

www.oaklawchamber.com

2023 Bonanza Raffle Tickets on Sale Now!

Each ticket price is \$10 and four winners are picked each month: one \$100 winner, one \$50 winner and two \$25 winners.



Buy now!

Winning tickets are placed back for even more chances the following month!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS!

July Winners

Jill Stetson—\$100

Drs. Di-Salvo-Ost—\$50

Don Murphy—\$25

John Sutko—\$25

August Winners

Orville Davis—\$100

Tom Fox—\$50

OLCHS—\$25

Robbie Segina—\$25

NOW is a GREAT time to ENGAGE with the CHAMBER!

Some reasons Chamber Membership Matters:

- ♦ Networking
- ♦ Marketing
- ♦ Community
- ♦ Referrals
- ♦ Credibility
- ♦ Resources
- ♦ Visibility



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Joined after July 1, 2023

Arlene Scott – Keller Williams Preferred Realty

Arlene Scott
16101 108th Avenue, 2nd Floor
Orland Park, IL 60467
(708) 798-1111
Ascottteam.kw.com

Blueberry Hill

5769 W 95th St.
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 634-2101
www.blueberrybreakfastcafe.com/

Guaranteed Rate

Kathryn Rachuy
1315 W. 22nd Street, Suite 110
Oak Brook, IL 60523
(630) 487-3602
kathryn.rachuy@rate.com

Herr Capital Management, LLC

Terrence Herr
4550 W 103rd Street, Suite 201C
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(312) 697-1600
<https://herrcapital.com/>

Lemon K Salon

Krystina Rajos
4607 W 103rd Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 581-5633
<https://lemonksalon.glossgenius.com/>

Liberty Tax/SLP Insurance—rejoined

Jeannine Wilkins
4732 W 103rd Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 636-1904
www.slp4you.com

SeBa Signs & Printing—rejoined

Wojciech Chramiec
6131 W 95th Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 229-2600
www.sebasigns.com

The Hospice and Palliative Care Foundation

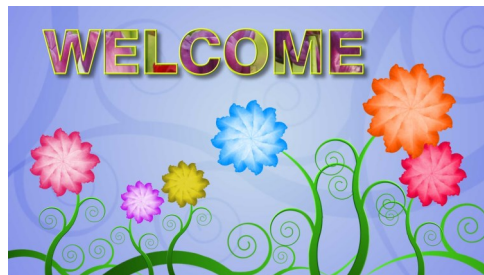
Kandis Draw
18W140 Butterfield Road, Suite 1120
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181
(312) 741-1283
www.thehapfoundation.org

The Olivia Pope of Real Estate

Olivia Carpenter
2235 W. North Ave.
Chicago, IL 60647
(773) 397-6004
www.theoliviapopeofrealestate.com

Xuel Bella Beauty

Yolanda Figueroa
4600 W 103rd Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(773) 410-1423
<https://xuelbellabeauty.as.me/schedule.php>



Lookin' Sharp Hair Lounge Ribbon Cutting



Looking Sharp Hair Lounge
9814 S. Cicero Ave.
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 717-5032

August Chamber Luncheon Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn



New Members!
O'Shea Financials
Herr Capital
OLSA Lightning, Inc.
Phes, Inc.



Business After Hours Style 95 & Tax-Free Retirement Solutions



Style 95
5411 W. 95th Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 425-6453



Tax-Free Retirement Solutions
15255 S 94th Ave.
Orland Park, IL 60462
(708) 369-1153



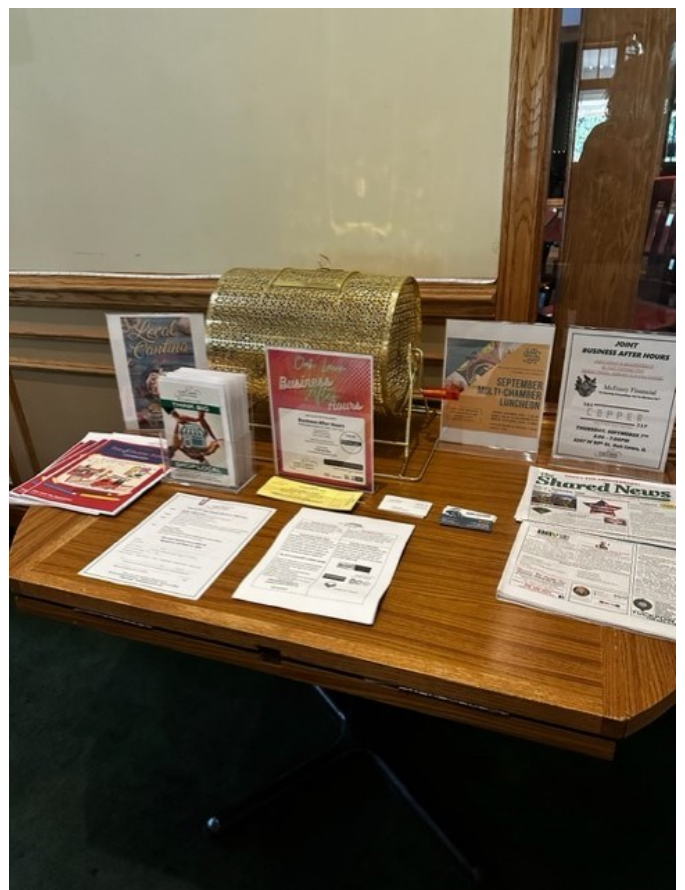
Lemon K Salon Ribbon Cutting

Lemon K Salon
4607 W 103rd Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 581-5633



New & Prospective Member Breakfast

Stony Creek Golf Course



Business After Hours

Local Cantina



Local Cantina
5130 W 95th Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 576-8173

Business After Hours Marquette Bank



Marquette Bank
10350 S. Cicero Ave.
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(888) 254-9500

2023 Oak Lawn Chamber Golf Outing



THANK YOU to ALL our SPONSORS!

2023 Oak Lawn Chamber Golf Outing



**THANK YOU to ALL
our GOLFERS!**

Business After Hours
Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn

PLEASE JOIN THE OAK LAWN CHAMBER
COLLEAGUES FOR

Business After Hours



HILTON OAK LAWN
WINDSOR BALLROOM
9333 SOUTH CICERO AVENUE,
OAK LAWN, IL 60453
708-425-7800

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023
FROM 5PM TO 7PM
NETWORKING AND DOOR PRIZES
WINDSOR BALLROOM



REGISTER HERE!

October Chamber Luncheon



October Luncheon

OCTOBER 10, 2023
11:30 REGISTRATION
12:00 LUNCH
\$20



RICHARDS HIGH SCHOOL
10601 CENTRAL AVE
OAK LAWN, IL 60453

Food will be prepared by Richards
culinary student!

Please don't forget to register
www.oaklawchamber.com

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

Lunch & Learn Pathlights

Lunch & Learn



The Path Ahead: Supporting Family Caregivers

It is said that everyone either is, will become, or will need a caregiver in their lifetime. Informal caregivers juggling a family, career, and household along with the needs of their loved one are often overlooked and undervalued. Join Pathlights, the local agency in the non-profit aging network, for a conversation on resources and supports available to caregivers and the older adults they are caring for.

Presenters:

Elaine Grande, Executive Director of Pathlights, has been serving older adults in a multitude of roles for 22 years. She will be joined by Board Member, Lynn Reasonover, whose involvement with Pathlights began when she retired to enjoy time with her parents and care for them in her Oak Lawn home.



Elaine Grande



Lynn Reasonover



Pathlights

**Enriched by experience.
Empowered in life.**

Oak Lawn Calvary Church
10056 S. Central
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

October 18, 2023
11:30AM-1:00PM

Bring your lunch and come hear what Elaine & Lynn have to say!

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

Business Showcase

October 21, 2023

BUSINESS SHOWCASE

& FALL CRAFT SHOW

***CRAFTERS, VENDORS
AND LOCAL
BUSINESSES TO
SHOP FROM***

OCTOBER

21

2023

OAK LAWN COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

9400 SOUTHWEST HIGHWAY

OAK LAWN, IL 60453

10:00AM-3:00PM



**FREE
ENTRY**

**[REGISTER to be a VENDOR
HERE!](#)**

Business After Hours

Nothing Bundt Cakes



10912 S Cicero Ave
Oak Lawn, IL
60453



BUSINESS AFTER HOURS
BUNDTs & BUBBLES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023
5:00-7:00PM

Pairings of Bundtinis &
Coopers Hawk wine will be
sampled

[**REGISTER HERE!**](#)

September 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	4 Labor Day Office Closed	5	6	7 BAH McEnery & Copper Top	8	9
10	11	12 Chamber Luncheon	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 BAH Hilton	21	22	23
24 Fall Family Fest	25	26	27	28	29	30

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Chamber Luncheon	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Lunch & Learn BAH Nothing Bundt Cakes	19	20	21 Business Showcase
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

- Office Hours**
Monday—Thursday
9 am—3 pm
- September 4, 2023—Labor Day**
Office Closed
- September 7, 2023—Business After Hours**
McEnery Financial & The Copper Top
5-7 pm
- September 12, 2023—Chamber Luncheon**
Double Tree Hilton in Alsip
11:30 am check-in
- September 20, 2023—Business After Hours**
Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn
5-7 pm
- September 24, 2023—Fall Family Fest**
Stony Creek Golf Course
3-6 pm
- October 10, 2023—Chamber Luncheon**
Richards High School Oak Lawn
11:30 am check-in
- October 18, 2023—Lunch & Learn**
Speaker: Pathlights @ Calvary Church
11:30 am
- October 18, 2023 —Business After Hours**
Nothing Bundt Cakes
5-7 pm
- October 21, 2023—Business Showcase**
Oak Lawn Community High School
10 am—3 pm



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