

THE OAK LAWN

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 2024

Business After Hours - (Call for 2023 Schedule) 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.

Member in Spotlight - (Call for 2023 Schedule) 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 750+ 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—(Call for the 2024 Schedule) Advertise in the Metra Patriot station 24/7/365. Quarterly ads \$75 for members.

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.

Brand New 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. If you need assistance with your webpage, call the Chamber office.

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

January/February 2024

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Oak Lawn, IL 60453
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**REMEMBER
SHOP SMALL
& SHOP LOCAL!**

Welcome to our 2024 Directors!

2024 Officers & Directors

President – Natasha Williams, Three20 Media
2nd Vice President – Nick Gulino, JP Architects, Ltd.
Treasurer – Nicole Wetzell, NEW Marketing Solutions
Secretary – Susan Latocha, Advocate Health Center
Immediate Past President – Jeff Reynolds, Nothing Bundt Cakes

Board of Directors, Term Expiring 12/31/24

Dr. Sandra Bury, Complete Vision Care
Shannon Dahlman, Grace Point Place
Joseph Eaton, Shark Shredding
Dr. Paul Enderle, OLHS District 123
Dr. David Finklestein, Oak Lawn Foot & Ankle
Dr. Mike Jacobsen, CHSD 218
Erin Molek, BEDS Plus Care
Steven Pappageorge, Moraine Valley Community College
Jill Stetson, SkinTrust
Mike Sutko, World Travel Mart
Justin Waters, Oak Lawn Park District
Michelle West, The Children's Museum Oak Lawn

Board of Directors, Term Expiring 12/31/25

Dr. Shahah Bagdasarian, CHSD 229
Karen Boll, Napleton Ford
Tammy Coleman, Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn
David Dewar, Tax-Free Retirement Solutions
Elizabeth Lawler, OSF Healthcare
Ginger Morgan, Thompson Kuenster
Rob Reichardt, JDog Junk Removal
Daniel Stidham, Calvary Church
Sharon Vetsch, The QuickBooks Queen
Carol Williams, Oak Lawn Public Library
Linda Wong, Express Employment Professionals

Chamber Staff

Anne M Fritz - Executive Director
Jennifer Villafan - Administrative Assistant

Your Chamber at a Glance

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

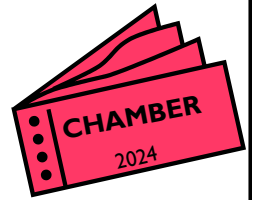
Please check the calendar on page **17** for the Chamber website for time and location.

All events are posted on our website:

www.oaklawnchamber.com

2024 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!

November Winners

\$100—Chuck DiNolfo

\$50—Karen Boll

\$25—Lisa Bulger

\$25—G&L Trophies

December Winners

\$100—Sandra Bury

\$50—Brian Ciapinski

\$25—Dan Grimes

\$25—Jane Roz

***When you support a small business,
You are supporting a Dream!
Thank you for shopping local!!***

Welcome to our NEW Members!

Rush Oak Lawn

Jennifer Nolan
5851 W. 95th Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 660-2364
www.rush.edu/oaklawn

CC Homes

Caroline & John Cunningham
2000 W. 111th Street,
Suite 201
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(773) 909-1888
www.thecchomes.com

Edward Jones

Max Dunne
6850 W 95th Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 233-8711

Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce

2023 YEAR IN REVIEW



2023 Highlights

- 25 Events attended by Chamber & Community
- 9 Active Committees
- BRAND NEW WEBSITE!
- Implemented NEW CRM Software
- Collaborated with Richards High School on a successful & impactful "Shop Local ~ Shop Oak Lawn" Video Campaign spotlighting local businesses shared on Social Media and Website.



Blueberry Hill Café Ribbon Cutting

Blueberry Hill Café
5769 W. 95th Street
Oak Lawn



WELCOME



Rush Oak Lawn *Ribbon Cutting*

Rush Oak Lawn
5851 W. 95th Street
Oak Lawn



New & Prospective Member Breakfast

Blueberry Hill Café



Thank you to Blueberry Hill Café for hosting!

November Chamber Member Luncheon

Hilton Chicago Oak Lawn



Kiswani Law & Insperity

Business After Hours

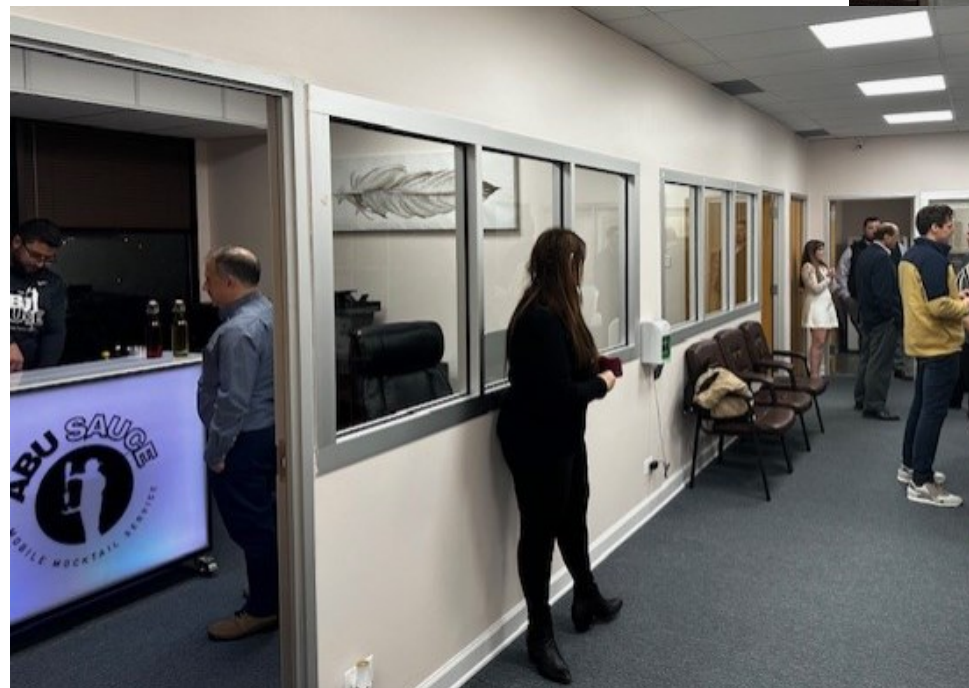
Kiswani Law

9525 S 79th Ave Suite 205
Hickory Hills



Insperity

12845 S Golfview Lane
Palos Heights



December Luncheon Hilton Oak Lawn



**THANK YOU to OLCHS
Choir
& Santa Adam for his
Special Appearance!**



Welcome New Members
Max Dunne
Edward Jones



Kerlin Walsh Law

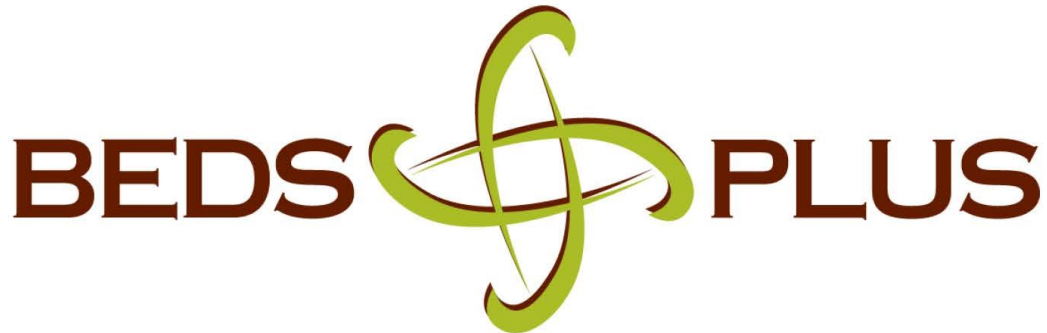
Business After Hours



Kerlin Walsh Law
11757 Southwest Highway
Palos Heights

BEDS Plus Care, Inc.

Ribbon Cutting



**YOU ARE INVITED!!
RIBBON CUTTING
CEREMONY**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024
11:00 AM**

BEDS Plus Care
9501 W. New England
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 354-0858



[REGISTER HERE!](#)

January 17th Lunch & Learn

Featuring: Larry Fetchko of Community + Family Resource Network



Oak Lawn Chamber Lunch & Learn

**A Powerful Collaboration, A Network of Family Support Kickoff
the new year by adding a new dimension to your operation.**

One significant - yet little known - resource of the greater Oak Lawn area is the Family + Community Resource Network (FCRN) for Oak Lawn - Hometown School District 123 network of support operations providing assistance in emergency support, housing, food, clothing, mental health and many other family challenges. This network is not a mere incidental collection of supports; but rather, a purposeful collaboration to keep our community strong. This network reaches throughout the village and beyond and involves municipalities, church, school, service organizations, clubs, Chamber and business entities. · Any type or size of business benefits from understanding the inner workings of the community. · Improve your understanding of the depth and range of supports, delivery infrastructure and leveraging that knowledge to create new connections in the community. · Understand how this collaboration can benefit your business, employees, your family and acquaintances. · Determine if you would like to become further involved.

Speaker: Larry Fetchko is a former CPA, business consultant and program/project manager for several Fortune 500 companies. He is currently the Community Liaison Officer and Director, Family + Community Resource Network (FCRN) for Oak Lawn - Hometown School District 123, Chairperson for the Oak Lawn Community Partnership and co-chair of many community wide programs.

**January 17, 2024
11:30 AM
9501 New England
Oak Lawn, IL 60453**

**Hosted by:
BEDS Plus Care, Inc.**

**Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce
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www.oaklawnchamber.com**



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Oak Lawn Chamber Installation Dinner

Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn

*The Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce
invites you to attend the
2024 Installation Dinner*

Hors D'oeuvres & Cocktails 6:30 pm

Program & Installation 7:30 pm

Dinner 8 pm

Entertainment

JANUARY

FRIDAY

19

2024

HILTON CHICAGO/OAK LAWN
9333 S. CICERO AVENUE
COCKTAIL ATTIRE

\$75 Per Person

RSVP by January 12, 2024



Register online at
www.oaklawnchamber.com or
Call the Chamber office
(708) 424-8300

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February Luncheon ~ State of the Village
Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn

**FEBRUARY LUNCHEON &
STATE OF THE VILLAGE ADDRESS**



February 13, 2024
11:30 AM Registration /Networking
12:00PM Lunch
\$25

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

Presented By:
Village President Terry Vorderer



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New & Prospective Member Breakfast

February 13, 2024 8:30 AM



New & Prospective Member Breakfast

February 21, 2024

8:30AM

The Original Pancake House

10900 S Cicero Ave

Oak Lawn, IL 60453

\$10 ~ Current Members



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 2024 new members. \$10 for current members.
Kindly RSVP to the chamber office 708-424-8300.**

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 BEDS Plus Care Ribbon Cutting Lunch & Learn	18	19 Installation Dinner	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



Office Hours
Monday—Thursday
9 am—3 pm

Wednesday, January 17, 2024
BEDS Plus Care, Inc
Ribbon Cutting, 11 AM

Wednesday, January 17, 2024
Lunch & Learn, 11:30 AM

Friday, January 19, 2024
Installation Dinner, 6:30 PM

Tuesday, February 13, 2024
Chamber Member Luncheon
State of the Village, 11:30 AM

Wednesday, February 21, 2024
New & Prospective Member
Breakfast, 8:30 AM

February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 State of the Village Luncheon	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 New & Prospective Member Breakfast	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

Follow The Chamber!



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