OAK LAWN NETWORKER

JULY/AUGUST 2024 EDITION

Presented by 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 2024

Business After Hours - (Call for 2024 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 2024 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 900+ 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.

Luncheon Sponsorship - (Call for the 2024 Schedule) Luncheon Sponsorship opportunities available. One sponsor per luncheon for \$250. Sponsorship includes chance to present at luncheon plus a marketing table.

Membership Directory - Advertising available for 2025 Directory. Brand New Website - All members are listed for free on our website. 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. **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

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REMEMBER SHOP SMALL & SHOP LOCAL!

Chamber President's Message



Chamber members,

I hope you're all soaking in the summer vibes as much as I am. The past few months have been incredibly rewarding for our chamber, and I'm thrilled to share

some recent achievements with you.

Our inaugural Restaurant Week exceeded all expectations. With 21 businesses participating, the positive feedback was overwhelming. The surge in website traffic and the influx of new customers to our restaurants highlight our success in driving local business growth. A special thanks to our 2nd VP, Nicole Wetzell, for her exceptional planning and marketing efforts that made this event possible.

We're equally proud of this year's golf outing, held in honor of Anne Marie Casey. Our 1st VP, Nick Gulino, deserves immense credit for transforming this event. His fresh approach attracted more sponsors and modernized the planning process, making the event a resounding success. A big thank you to all our sponsors, particularly our "Hole in One Sponsor," Oak Lawn Bank & Trust.

Looking ahead, I'm excited about our upcoming Fall Family Fest and Business Showcase events. These will be fantastic opportunities for networking and community engagement.

Please also be aware that membership renewals are coming up on September 1. The perks of being a chamber member continue to deliver significant value, and I encourage everyone to make the most of them.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, especially now that we can relish the outdoors without the cicadas' serenade!

See you around the Village! Warmly, Natasha

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. Shaheh Bagdasarian, CHSD 229 Karen Boll, Napleton Ford 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 16 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 <u>more</u> chances the following month!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS!

May Winners \$100—Erin Molek \$50—Dr. Richard Marshall \$25—Don Dvornik \$25—Michelle West June Winners

\$100—Eileen Kerlin Walsh \$50—Complete Vision Care

\$25—Debbie Czech

Welcome our NEWEST Members!

Chicago Ridge Mall (new ownership!) 444 Chicago Ridge Mall Chicago Ridge, IL 60415 https://www.shoppingchicagoridgemall.com/

Grizz Pest Management

Andy Novinger (708) 800-8680 6688 Joliet Road Indian Head Park, IL 60525 andy@grizzpest.com www.grizzpest.com

Huntington National Bank

Lizette Valdivia 5320 S. Pulaski Road (inside Jewel) Chicago, IL 60632 (773) 799-6103 lizette.valdivia@huntington.com https://www.huntington.com/

Kelly Rosales ~ Coldwell Banker Kelly Rosales (312) 788-0325 8644 W 75th Street Justice, IL 60458

Justice, IL 60458 kelly.rosales@cbrealty.com <u>https://www.kellysthecloser.com/</u>

MG19 Salon Suites, Ltd.

Beauty Suite Rental Available! Sarah Tyree 11040 W. Kilpatrick Ave. Oak Lawn, IL 60453 info@mg19salonsuites.com Oak Lawn Living Erica Coci Oak Lawn, IL 60453 (269) 924-1751 ecoci@bestversionmedial.com

Oak Lawn Masonic Lodge #1166

Joe Sangster 9420 S 52nd Avenue Oak Lawn, IL 60453 (773)_484-0481 jnsangster2@gmail.com

Paisan's Pizzeria of Oak Lawn

4900 W. 111th Street Oak Lawn, IL 60453 708-635-0606 oaklawn@paisanspizza.com http://www.paisanspizza.com

Rodeo Burgers & Chicken

Saja Ganem 11111 S Harlem Ave, Unit E Worth, IL 60482 (708) 608-8401 rodeoworth@gmail.com

Silver Spring Home Caregivers, LLC. Bailanie Habrelewicz (708) 853-3977 7808 W. College Drive, Suite LL3 Palos Heights, IL 60463 info@silverspringhomecaregiverllc.com www.silverspringhomecaregiverllc.om

Unidad Ramone Martinez 3339 W. 95th Street Evergreen Park, IL 60805 infor@unidadrestaurant.com https://www.unidadrestaurant.com/

White Willow Bookkeeping

Bridget Regan (309) 245-8209 Bridgetregan@whitewillowbookkeeping.com <u>http://www.whitewillowbookkeeping.com</u> *Available to meet either virtually or in person locally.

Working Class Uniforms, a Division of Cintas Sherry Isdell 9525 S. Cicero Avenue Oak Lawn, IL 60453 (708) 424-4747 isdells2@cintas.com https://www.cintas.com/

X10 Entertainment (Times10 Entertainment!) Xavier Walker (312) 361-0392

6630 W. 95th Street, 2A Oak Lawn, IL 60453 https://x10entertainment.com/ info@x10entertainment.net

May Chamber Member Luncheon Sponsored by: Moraine Valley Community College *Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn*











New Members

Tiondra Purnell ~ Edward Jones Anna Novinger ~ Grizz Pest Management Ingrid Grant ~ Arden Courts

New & Prospective Member Breakfast Stony Creek Golf Course





Healthy & Delicious Smoothie Spot *Ribbon Cutting*

















Healthy & Delicious Smoothie Spot 10408 S. Cicero Ave. Oak Lawn, IL 60453 (708) 581-4113

June Chamber Member Luncheon Stony Creek Golf Course









<u>New Members</u>

Xavier Walker ~ X10 Entertainment Lizette Valdivia ~ Huntington Bank Lanie Habrelewicz ~ Silver Spring Home Erica Loula ~ Chicago Ridge Mall

Paisan's Pizzeria *Ribbon Cutting*











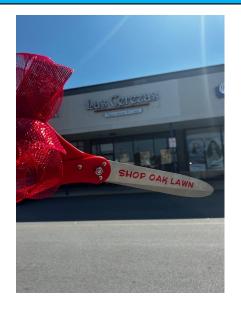
Paisan's Pizzeria 4900 W. 111th Street Oak Lawn, IL 60453 (708) 635-0606





Las Cerezas Taco Shop & Café Grand Reopening & Ribbon Cutting













Las Cerezas Taco Shop & Café 9513 S. Cicero Ave. Oak Lawn, IL 60453 (708) 634-2454

Midwest CPR Center Lunch & Learn

OAK LAWN CHAMBER LUNCH & LEARN



CPR & AED TRAINING

TRAINING INCLUDES:

- CPR
- AED use
- Choking
- First Aid

Scan to Register

JULY 17, 2024 | 11:30AM

OAK LAWN PUBLIC LIBRARY 9427 RAYMOND AVE **OAK LAWN, IL 60453**

This is an 1 hour 45 minutes training by Midwest CPR. They will teach a CPR Course for Adults, Children & Infants. This will cover CPR, AED use, Choking & First Aid. Participants will leave with a CPR & AED Certificate from Midwest CPR

**Disclaimer: This will not be a certificate from the American Heart Association or American Red Cross.

CONTACT US:



C 708-424-8300





AYR Wellness Ribbon Cutting



Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting July 18th at 2 PM

AYR Wellness Samantha Miklovic 4140 Southwest Highway Hometown, IL 60456 (708) 549-0420



Children's Museum of Oak Lawn Business After Hours





AUGUST 7TH AT **5:00** PM **5100 MUSEUM DRIVE OAK LAWN, IL 60453**

ENTER YOUR BUSINESS CARD FOR A CHANCE TO WIN DOOR PRIZES OAK LAWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

REGISTER HERE

August Chamber Member Luncheon Hilton Chicago Oak Lawn

OAK LAWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

OAK LAWN CHAMBER AUGUST LUNCHEON

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024 11:30 AM REGISTRATION/NETWORKING 12:00PM LUNCH \$25

> HILTON OAK LAWN/CHICAGO 9333 S CICERO AVE OAK LAWN, IL 60453

WALK-INS ARE LIMITED. RSVP-STRONGLY RECOMMENDED 108-424-8300 OR WWW.OAKLAWNCHAMBER.COM

Sponsored by:



REGISTER HERE!

New & Prospective Member Breakfast Les Brothers Restaurant



New & Prospective Member Breakfast

August 21, 2024 8:30AM Les Brothers 8705 S Ridgeland Oak Lawn, IL 60453 \$10 ~ Current Members

ΟΑΚ Γ.Α CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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**!

OSF On Call Urgent Care Business BEFORE Hours

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BUSINESS BEFORE HOURS

with the Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce



WEDNESDAY AUGUST 28 6:45 - 7:45 A.M.



5660 W 95TH ST OAK LAWN Enjoy a light breakfast. Take a tour.

OSFONCALL.ORG/URGENTCARE

Register Here!

July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Golf Outing	11	12	13
14	15 Las Cerezas Taco Shop Ribbon Cutting	16	17 Midwest CPR Lunch & Learn	18 AYR Well- ness Ribbon Cutting	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 Children's Museum BAH	8	9	10
11	12	13 Luncheon	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 New Member Breakfast	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 OSF OnCall Businsess BEFORE Hours	29	30	31

Office Hours Monday—Thursday 9 am—3 pm

Midwest CPR Center Lunch & Learn July 17, 11:30 am

AYR Wellness Ribbon Cutting July 18, 2 PM

Children's Museum Oak Lawn Business After Hours August 7, 5-7 PM

August Chamber Luncheon Sponsored by: Solix Hilton Oak Lawn August 13 11:30 AM Check-In

New Member Breakfast Les Brothers July 21, 8:30 AM

OSF OnCall Urgent Care Business BEFORE Hours 6:45 AM—7:45 AM



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