OAK LAWN NETWORKER

January/February 2025 ~ FINAL 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."



Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce Membership Benefits



Membership Dues

- 1-5 full-time employees ~ \$150
- \bullet 6-10 full-time employees ~ \$175
- 11-25 full-time employees ~ \$225
- 25-50 full-time employees ~ \$280
- > 50 full-time employees ~ \$365 New members prorated for month joined.



Not your average Chamber!

Special Events

- Installation Dinner January
- Health & Safety Expo April
- Golf Outing July
- Fall Family Fest September
- Business Showcase October

Marketing Opportunities

- OLCC Website Profile
 - Add Special Events to Calendar
 - Post Hot Deals
 - Add Job Postings
 - Create Business Blogs
- Discounted Advertising
 - Annual Printed Membership Directory
 - Metra Station TV
 - Annual Fire & Safety Coloring Book
 - Monday Member in the Spotlight
- Website Banner Ads
- Event Sponsorship
 - Golf Outing
 - Fall Family Fest
 - Monthly Luncheons

Networking Events

- Monthly Member Luncheons
- Ribbon Cuttings
- Business After Hours
- New/Prospective Member Breakfasts
- · Lunch & Learns

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Chamber Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 5120 Museum Drive Oak Lawn, IL 60453 (708) 424-8300

Member Testimonial

"This is the most pro-active chamber I know. There is plenty of networking available with ribbon cuttings, luncheons and special events."

Joe Eaton ~ Shark Shredding & Document Management Co.

Don't forget to join one of our Chamber Committees!



Thank you for taking the time to read our Oak Lawn Networker Newsletter over the years.

We made the decision to suspend the Networker publication as the Oak Lawn Chamber has moved all of it's content and communications to our website, Facebook, YouTube & Instagram pages.

Please take the time to 'like, follow & subscribe' to our content on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube. As always, you can find our events on our website at:

www.oaklawnchamber.com

The Networker is a publication of the Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce.

5120 Museum Drive
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

REMEMBER
SHOP SMALL
& SHOP LOCAL!

Welcome to our 2025 Directors!

Installed on January 31st

2025 Officers & Directors

President ~ Nick Gulino (J.P. Architects, Ltd.)

1st Vice President ~ Nicole Wetzell (NEW Marketing Solutions)

Treasurer ~ Susan Latocha (Advocate Health Care)

Secretary ~ Rob Reichardt (JDog Junk Removal)

Immediate Past President ~ Natasha Miller Williams (Three 20 Media)

Term Expiring 12/31/25

Dr. Sandra Bury (Complete Vision Care)

Shannon Dahlman (Grace Point Place)

Dr. David Finkelstein (Oak Lawn Foot & Ankle)

Mike Jacobson (Community High School District 218)

Mike Loftin (Oak Lawn Hometown School District 123)

Dr. Joe Matise (Ridgeland School District 122)

Erin Molek (BEDS Plus Care)

Steve Pappageorge (MVCC)

Julissa Sprycha (Country Financial)

Mike Sutko (World Travel Mart)

Justin Waters (Oak Lawn Park District)

Michelle West (Children's Museum Oak Lawn)

Term Expiring 12/31/26

Dr. Shaheh Bagdasarian (Oak Lawn Community High School District 229)

Karen Boll (Napleton Ford)

Lindsay Devries (AERO Special Education Co-op)

David A. Dewar (Tax-Free Retirement Solutions)

Matthew Howe (Bank Financial)

Elizabeth Lawler (OSF Healthcare)

Rob Medinger (Keller Williams Elite)

Ginger Morgan (Thompson & Kuenster F.H.)

Daniel Stidham (Calvary Church)

Sharon Vetsch (The Quick Books Queen)

Carol Williams (Oak Lawn Public Library)

Linda Wong (Express Employment Professionals)

Chamber Staff

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
- New in 2025 ~ Website Advertising!

Please check the calendar on page 5 for the complete event list for 2025.

All events are posted on our website: www.oaklawnchamber.com

2025 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.

New in 2025 ~ Buy 10 tickets for \$100 and receive one free ticket!

Winning tickets are placed back for even <u>more</u> chances the following month!

See attached flier on page 4 for more information.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS!

November Winners

\$100—Eileen Kerlin Walsh

\$50—Dr. Sandra Bury

\$25—Mike Sutko

\$25—Clyde Anhalt

December Winners

\$100—Alanzo Nevarez Jr.

\$50—Carol Williams

\$25—Clyde Anhalt

\$25—Carol Williams

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January Winners

\$100—Brenda Haynes Wallace

\$50—Dr. David Finkelstein

\$25—Michelle West

\$25—Susan Latocha

February Winners

\$100—Beggars Pizza

\$50—Ralph Soch

\$25—Dr. Sandy Bury

\$25—Cindy Deir

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

BONANZA RAFFLE TIME!

Join the Fun with
Oak Lawn Chamber's
Bonanza Raffle!
Win Cash Every Month Don't miss out...Get Your
Tickets Today!

4 WINNERS EACH MONTH!

- \$10 per ticket
- 48 winners per year
- TWO \$25 prizes per month
- ONE \$50 prize per month
- ONE \$100 prize per month
- Raffle runs Jan Dec. Winners pulled at our monthly luncheons.

Multiple Chances to Win ~ Your Entry Stays in the Raffle All Year, Even After You Win!

Purchase 10 tickets, get 1 FREE!



Proceeds support Oak Lawn Chamber Operating Costs





(708) 424-8300



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2025 Tentative Calendar of Events

January

6 Chamber Office Reopens

15 Lunch & Learn, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

31 Installation Dinner 6:00 PM, Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn

February

11 Board of Directors Meeting, 11:00 AM, State of the Village Address /Chamber Member Luncheon 11:30 AM, Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn

19 New and Prospective Member Breakfast, 8:30 AM, Location TBD

March

11 Board of Directors Meeting, 11:00 AM

Chamber Member Luncheon 11:30 AM, Oak Lawn Community High School

April

8 Board of Directors Meeting, 8:00 AM, Chamber Member Breakfast 8:30 AM, Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn

16 Lunch & Learn, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM, Location TBD

23 Health & Safety Expo, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Oak Lawn Senior Center

May

13 Board of Directors Meeting 11 AM, Chamber Member Luncheon 11:30 AM, Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn

21 New & Prospective Member Breakfast, 8:30 AM, Location TBD

28 - June 11 Oak Lawn Chamber Restaurant Week

June

10 Board of Directors Meeting, 11:00 AM, Chamber Member Luncheon 11:30 AM, Stony Creek Golf Course

July

9 Golf Outing, Stony Creek Golf Course, 5850 W. 103rd St.

10:00 AM Registration followed by Lunch, 12:00 PM Shotgun Start

16 Lunch & Learn, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM, Location TBD

August

12 Board of Directors Meeting, 11:00 AM, Chamber Member Luncheon 11:30 AM, Hilton Chicago/Oak Lawn

20 New and Prospective Member Breakfast, Location TBD, 8:30 AM, Location TBD

September

9 Board of Directors Meeting, 11:00 AM, Chamber Member Luncheon 11:30 AM, Location TBD

21 Fall Family Fest, Location TBD

October

7 Board of Directors Meeting, 11:00 AM, Chamber Member Luncheon 11:30 AM, Richards High School

15 Lunch & Learn, 11:30 - 1:00 PM, Location TBD

18 Business Showcase, Oak Lawn Community High School, 9400 Southwest Hwy., 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

November

11 Board of Directors Meeting, 5:30 PM, Chamber Member Cocktail Hour, 6:00 PM, Location TBD

19 New and Prospective Member Breakfast, 8:30 AM, Location TBD

December

View our Website Calendar Here!