

Connections



3rd Quarter 2024



Twisted SHAMROCK PUB
CORNER OF 65TH & CENTRAL
TWISTEDSHAMROCKPUB.COM
LIVE MUSIC | COCKTAILS | PARTY ROOM | GOOD TIMES

Welcome to our Newest Members!

Help us welcome our newest members: *Aunt Lizzie's Baked Goods- Elizabeth Lynch, *Brand Accurate- Shane O'Connell, *Bungalow Bias Chicago- Eilleen Whelan, *Carmyl- Carmen Reyna Farje, * Clear Ridge Little League- Ryan Aderman, *Emerald Ice- Valerie Trentz, *Exxon Gas- Samer Khafib, *Jones Consulting Team- IT Consulting- Christina & Jason Jones, * LaCoco's Pizza & Wings- Celia Hoffman, *Liquid Concessions- Janja Taylor, *Lock House Garden- Anthony Olcaster, Mama's World- Melinda Tomaszewski, *Park Lane Jewelry by Lisa Anita- Lisa Matuszak, *Santillan Financial Services- Salvador Santillan, *The Beverly Bank & trust- Wintrust- Adam Reyes, *O'neal Plumbing- Joseph O'Neal, *State Farm Insurance- Renato Delgadillo, *New Life Centers- Ken Alvarado, Izcalia Studios- Epifanion Monarrez, *Beverly Bank- Adam Reyes. We Welcome you and can not wait for an awesome year!



Benefits of Joining the Chamber

1. Business Promotions & Publicity
2. Acquire Customer Referrals & Networking Opportunities!
3. Business Education, Support & Advocacy!
4. Add Influence in your Community

If you would like to join the chamber or see more benefits of joining, scan the QR Code or go to our website:

www.MidwayChamber.org



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Facelift for Twisted Shamrock

Twisted Shamrock's new management has been hard at work updating the inside and outside of the building! Hopefully, you all have noticed the amazing new paint job and the eye-popping patio setup. Inside, they have updated the tables, walls, TV, and, most importantly, the drink selection! We are very excited about the transformation and hope that everyone goes to check out the incredible work that has been done.

Besides the renovation, the team at Twisted Shamrock has separated itself from the rest of the crowd with some of its nightly programs to keep guests entertained. Every Friday they host a live band and they offer monthly trivia nights, sip-and-paint nights, comedy shows, karaoke, specialty events such as Master Party, and reunion parties. They are quickly reestablishing themselves as a neighborhood staple. They are a true community supporter with partnerships that include the Midway Chamber of Commerce, Clear-Ridge Baseball, St. Laurence High School, Wintrust Sports Complex, and St. Daniel Summerfest.

In addition to their event schedule, patio, and community support, they also provide a much-needed Party Room! Located on the second floor, accessible by stairs or an elevator, Twisted Shamrock provides an intimate, private bar & room for parties with sizes up to 50 people. Everything from birthday parties, graduations, retirements, bachelor & bachelorette parties, fundraisers, engagements, baby showers, wedding showers, holiday parties, and corporate events. Twisted Shamrock offers Corporate Event Packages for businesses looking to host meet & greets, educational/seminars, team building, client/staff appreciation events & holiday parties!

Stop in today to grab a drink, say hi, and remember to book the party or patio for your next event!

Check them out at:

twistedshamrock.com | facebook.com/twistedshamrockpub |

Instagram.com/twistedshamrockpub



Building a Stronger Community Through Partnerships

We've got some exciting updates to share with you, and I promise this news is worth your time. Our community is thriving, and it's in part, thanks to the incredible partnerships and collaborations we've been fostering lately. Midway Chamber of Commerce believes that working together makes us all stronger.

Clear Ridge Collaboration

I am sure you have seen the beautiful signs on the back stops at Hale Park, Wentworth Park and Stars & Stripes Park. For those who don't know, Ryan Aderman has been a driving force behind Clear Ridge Little League for as long as any of us can remember. He's a true testament to what it means to grow up here and give back. Ryan's dedication has been instrumental in promoting our local businesses and creating a sense of unity for so many families in our community and our local businesses.



St Laurence Internship Program

We're also thrilled to announce our new internship program with St Laurence has officially launched. This pilot program is all about giving students real-life experience in various business fields. It's been amazing to see the enthusiasm from both students and participating businesses.

A huge shout-out to the businesses that have opened their doors and hearts to make this program a success:

Chicago EA: Leading the way in business, tax and accounting innovations.

Garfield Ridge Farmers Market: Keeping our community healthy and connected.

Midway Chamber of Commerce: Supporting small business in every way.

Aparicio Law Offices: Offering invaluable legal insights to our budding professionals.



St. Laurence
HIGH SCHOOL

Your support has not only provided invaluable experience to these students but has also strengthened the bond within our community. If you would like to get your business involved in this internship program, please email Director@midwaychamber.org.

Moving Forward Together

These partnerships are just the beginning. We're committed to fostering more collaborations that benefit everyone in our community. Whether you're a local business owner or a community member, your support and participation are what make these initiatives possible.

Stay tuned for more updates, and don't hesitate to reach out if you have any ideas or want to get involved in our future projects. Together, we're making our community a better place for everyone.

Cheers to building a stronger future, together!

Celebrate Our Businesses of the Month

July Business of the Month: Wintrust Sports Complex

Wintrust Sports Complex at Bedford Park is a multi-purpose sports tourism and entertainment facility with something for everyone. We have 8 basketball courts, 16 volleyball courts, 24 pickleball courts, 2 multipurpose/meeting rooms, laser tag arena, redemption arcade, a concession stand on the first floor, full restaurant, and bar on the second, and a beautiful balcony on our second floor overlooking the courts and the entrance. We host various tournaments, corporate events, birthday parties, field trips, practices, and any other event you can think of. Coming up this summer we are hosting Free Family Bingo every Thursday starting July 11 from 6pm – 9pm in our restaurant. Also, check us out every Wednesday at the Farmers Market in Garfield Ridge for fun promotional give-a-ways and event updates.



WINTRUST
SPORTS COMPLEX
AT BEDFORD PARK

August Business of the Month: College Hunks

I opened my doors in July of 2021. We provide junk removal, moving and general labor. We have helped many people that are in crisis regain some direction in their life. We also donate through our non-profit Brave Solutions geared toward helping Veterans and first Responders in need. Give College Hunks a call for all your moving needs! (708)796-1043.



September Business of the Month: Yo Soy Vella Candles

We opened in December of 2023. In addition to making candles on site, it is a place for crafters to create their works of art. As a Candle and Gift shop, we aim to change one's shopping experience by bringing to the table "thoughtful, quality gifts" that are meaningful and practical while supporting local crafters that create the gifts. In addition, we work to offer workshops in a welcoming environment to unwind and indulge in personal time. These venues foster a sense of belonging and relaxation, distinct from the demands of home and work, thereby providing a valuable retreat for individuals seeking to enjoy some "me time" in a supportive and inspiring setting.



Cheesie's Pub & Grub Small Business Store Front Activation

On June 21, hundreds of people lined Archer Ave for the Midway Chamber of Commerce's first official Small Business Storefront Activation of Cheesie's Pub & Grub. The Midway Chamber of Commerce is thrilled to announce the storefront activation of Cheesie's Pub & Grub to our neighborhood- 6544 W Archer Avenue, Chicago, IL 60638. This is made possible by the City of Chicago's Storefront activation powered by Mayor Johnson.

We are so grateful for the opportunity to bring new and exciting businesses to the neighborhood. We are so thrilled to have worked closely with Alderman Tabares along with BACP and Mayor Johnson to make this Small Business Store Front Activation possible. We look forward to bringing more businesses to our thriving community!



Support the Businesses That Support our Community!

Membership Update



SCAN ME

Send them
our way!

MCC

Looking Forward, Never Back

2024 is off to an incredible start! Midway Chamber of Commerce is the biggest its ever been since inception in 1959.

If you know a business that would benefit from joining us please reach our or send them to MidwayChamber.org/Join

Business of the Month

- January:** Timeless Tattos
- February:** Ciao Ragazzi
- March:** A-Ok Auto Body Inc.
- April:** Bookkeeping By Design
- May:** City Block Candles
- June:** Mutts of the Midway
- July:** Wintrust Sports Complex
- August:** College Hunks
- September:** Yo Soy Vella Candles



Upcoming Events



Farmers Market- The Garfield Ridge Farmers Market is in full swing! We meet weekly on Wednesdays from 3-7 pm, now through September. We have so many exciting vendors that offer a taste of something delicious, hand made goodies and so much more. We hope by now you have noticed our location has changed! We have moved to the corner of Archer & Narragansett. We hope you find this location as accessible and inviting as we do. If you are interested in being a vendor or would like to volunteer for our weekly farmers market- please email Director@midwaychamber.org. Follow our facebook page to get all the updates on this exciting event! <https://www.facebook.com/GRFarmersmarket>



Back To School- This event is always a great time for everyone involved. It is the perfect opportunity for families in the community to get their children ready for a successful school year. We invite you and your school age children to come out, pick out a backpack, and meet some of our amazing sponsors. We offer free backpacks and school supplies to 1000 children annually. This is always a great event for the community filled with prizes, treats, hair cuts and so much fun! This event is also a great way for your business to give back to the community and support a great cause. If you would like to be a vendor or a sponsor, please sign up on our website- www.MidwayChamber.org



Bring the whole family: free backpack and school supplies for each child must be present, while supplies last
Jumpy Houses, DJ, games
 Meet our Sponsors

Events Recap



Golf Outing-This year's golf outing was a completely sold out event! We are so grateful to all our sponsors, vendors and businesses that donated! Be sure to keep an eye out for all the details of next year's Golf outing! Its going to be even bigger and better! Save the date- May 16th.

Pet Parade- Rain or Shine, the show must go on. Although it rained all morning the day of our annual Pet Parade, we had over 270 pets come to join us! The Annual Pet Parade gave away 150 free shots, had a DJ, face painting, and reptile show. There was fun fol all!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING - 1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, EXCEPT JAN & JULY

JULY

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January
Restaurant Week



July
5k



February
Valentine Comedy Show



August
Back to School



March
St. Patricks Parade,
Spring Community Expo,
Graduation Banner

September



April
Veterans banners,
and graduation banners
all month long.



October
Sweetheart Comedy Show,
Halloween Parade,
Day of the Dead Celebration



May
5/17 - Golf Outing



November
Pub Crawl,
Cookie Walk



June
6/1 - Pet parade
6/21 - Car Show
6/27 - Patriots Day parade



December
Snack with Santa,
Annual Dinner Dance

FREE BACK PACKS FOR THE FIRST 1000 STUDENTS

Students must be present

August 10, Kennedy High School Parking Lot



Check The Website For Upcoming Events
And Current Up To Date Details
midwaychamber.org

Chamber of Commerce's New 5/3 Bank Location

We are thrilled to announce that the Midway Chamber of Commerce now has access to the 5/3 Bank building, and we have some exciting plans for this beautiful space!

This venue will be transformed into a stunning art gallery. Expect to immerse yourself in art pieces, curated by local and renowned artists. We're thrilled to introduce that we will be working with several neighborhood artists where you can explore a variety of unique art products and participate in engaging art classes. Unleash your creativity and learn new skills in a supportive environment. You will also be able to explore the latest collection from Grit Clothing Wear, right here at our new location.

In addition to being an art haven, this space will be available for Chamber members to use as a co operating work space. Enjoy a productive and inspiring environment surrounded by beautiful artwork. We are incredibly excited to open the doors to our community. Stay tuned for exact times and hours of operation—we can't wait to see you there!

Neighborhood Development

Join us in welcoming Andy's to the neighborhood! We're thrilled to announce their grand opening. Make sure to stop in and enjoy this delicious new spot.

The Midway Chamber of Commerce is proud to support new businesses and help fill the empty storefronts in our community. Let's show Andy's some love and make their opening a huge success! They are now located at 5446 S. Mulligan. Ave. See you there!



Come out & join our community

To keep our community involved & successful we need you! Throughout the year we have many sponsorship and volunteer opportunities around our neighborhood.

Volunteers are what make our events so successful. Volunteer opportunities are available YEAR ROUND.

Save the date!!

**** Farmers Market- Every Wednesday****

****Back to School - 8/10****



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ROAD TO RECOVERY PLAN
CITY OF CHICAGO

If there is any information you'd like to see included in the newsletter or the website, Please reach out to director@midwaychamber.org