



Keeping residents up to speed with the latest Village news

Village Board Agrees to Purchase JC Penney Property

A major step toward the development of 111th and Cicero Avenue was taken June 28, 2011 when the Village Board approved the purchase of property owned by JC Penneys. The village has agreed to the purchase of 22.6 acres for \$10.9 million, which will be funded through the tax increments financing district which was established in 2006.

The Village, along with the developer Hamilton partners, will be making diligent efforts to work positively with the property owners and tenants on site to achieve the goal of an exciting new development of 111th and Cicero Avenue which will benefit not only Oak Lawn, but the entire region.

Receive Power Outage Alerts on your Mobile Phone

Com Ed has a service which will send you outage alerts on your mobile phone. Go to the ComEd website which is www.comed.com and under "Customer Service", select Outage Alerts. Enter in your information including the account number and you can receive text messages that alert you of estimated restoration times and other important outage information affecting your ComEd service. Please note that ComEd does not charge customers for this notification. Message and data rates may apply.

Vehicle Stickers Now available Online!

You can purchase your vehicle stickers on-line. Why use up your gasoline and time by standing in line at Village Hall to purchase your vehicle sticker; just go to the Village website at www.oaklawn-il.gov. You have through August 5th to

purchase on-line. With your renewal form in hand just find the picture of this years' vehicle sticker in the middle of the page directly under the "Visitor Information" tab. Click anywhere on the picture and this will link you to the page where you will fill in the information asked for from your renewal form. Please make sure you enter the Vehicle ID number from your renewal form where the information is requested. If you have a new vehicle or are requesting the senior rate, you will need to come to the Village Hall's Cashier Window with your vehicle registration to purchase your sticker.

Remember, you can also pay your Water/Sewer/Refuse bill online. Just go to our website and look for the "Online Utility Payments" box in the upper right hand side of the page. Click anywhere inside the box and this will take you to the payment page. Follow the instructions and you'll be on your way.



MOVIES ON THE GREEN

All movies will start at dusk on the Village Green

"Rocky"

Friday, July 22, 2011:



SUMMER CONCERTS

All concerts will start at 7:00 p.m. located on the Village Green

CTA-Chicago Tribute Anthology

Sunday, July 24, 2011

THE VILLAGE OF OAK LAWN GREEN TEAM MEETING



Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Village Hall, 2nd Floor Auditorium

THE VILLAGE OF OAK LAWN SALUTES OUR RESIDENTS IN THE ARMED FORCES

LCPL Trevor Mulrenin, US Marine Corp.
Sgt. Michael Sorice, US Air Force
LCPL Kyle Taylor, US Marine Corp.
Sp. Michael J. Roberts, US Army
Guard Captain Edward J. O'Connell IV,
US Marine Corps
Pfc James William Mazurek, US Army
NC1 Lawrence R. Walton, US Navy
Pfc Justin K. Cerniuk, US Marine Corps
Pfc Santo J. Carollo, US Marine Corps
Jamie Hojek, US Navy Master
Pfc Antonio Fernandez, US Marine Corps
Pfc Garrett Coffey, US Army
TSgt. Matthew R. Marcinkowski, US Air Force
Sgt. Daniel Villavazo, US Coast Guard
Cpl. Andrew Chesna, US Marine Corps
Staff Sgt. Christopher Reich, US Army Reserves
Dennis A Youngren, SrA, US Air Force
Captain David Pfeiffer, US Air Force
Captain Craig Lanigan, Army Reserves
Michael S. Zylus, US Navy
Pfc Benjamin T. Kunst, US Marine Corps
Sgt. Enrico DeLorenzo, US Air Force
Sgt. Maj. Daniel S. Miller, US Marine Corp
Rebecca Joy Inflow, US Naval Air Corps
Pfc Stephen Lukaiewicz, US Air Force
Sara Losos, AIC
Pfc Christopher Mann, US Marine Corps
1st Sgt Wade Pasquerella, 82nd Airborne
Sgt. Jeff M. Marsinkowski, US Air Force
Sp4 Archie Thompson, IV

Sgt. Don Brady, US Army
OS2 Stacy L. Johnson, USS
Sp. Timothy Walker, US Army
Sgt. Jennifer D. Kohany, Illinois Army National
Cpl. John Elder, US Marine Corps
Sgt. Joseph Klem, Marine Corps.
Karl Schultz, US Navy
Sgt. R.E. Carlson, US Marine Corps
Sp4 Joseph J Necom, USA
Sgt. John Patrick White
Master Sgt. Michael Dignan, US Air Force
Sgt. Matt Barkmeier, US Army
Spec. Donald J. Balsavich
LCPL Timothy A. Evans, US Marine Corps
LCPO Ray Creevy, US Marine Corps
LCPL John Eckert, US Marine Corps
Captain Daniel R. Johnson, US Army
LCPL Christopher L. Aguinaga, US Marine
Petty Officer David Bailey, US Navy
Private 3rd Edward James Mayer, US Army
Officer Jason Hudson, US Army
2LT Jeffrey Finley II, US Army
2nd Lt. Kevin M. Shotas, USMC
Pfc Justin Sanchez
HM3 Leslye Thompson
Sgt. Robert Sanchez, Jr.
Keith Libner, US Marine Corps
Cpl. John C. Hojek, US Marine Corps
Sgt. Kevin J. Scharwarko, US Army
Gustavo Guerrez, US Marine Corps
Pfc John W. Campbell, US Marine Corps

The Village of Oak Lawn appreciates the many sacrifices our residents in the Armed Forces make for us on a day to day basis. Please keep them in your prayers. If you are an active service man or woman or have a loved one currently serving in the armed forces, please send their name and military information to coleary@oaklawn-il.gov. If any service man or woman would be interested in receiving the "A Community United" they may do so by sending their email information to coleary@oaklawn-il.gov.

The Village of Oak Lawn would like to welcome home any of our service men and women by displaying their name on the marquee along 95th Street. Please feel free to call the Village Manager's office at (708) 499-7742 with the information regarding your loved one's homecoming.



The Village of Oak Lawn presents:

FALL ON THE GREEN
Teen Volunteers Needed

We are looking for teens to volunteer their time. If you or someone you know needs service hours for school or community, or would like to give some of your free time to your community, please contact: Suzie Kelly @ 708/499-7806 or skelly@oaklawn-il.gov

Friday, September 9, 2011

6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Seeking volunteers **15 & older**

Saturday, September 10, 2011

11:00 a.m. 10:00 p.m.

Seeking volunteers **13 & older**

Sunday, September 11, 2011

11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Seeking volunteers **13 & older**



The Village of Oak Lawn will host a pizza party for the volunteers on Thursday, August 25, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium located at the Municipal Complex, 9446 S Raymond Ave. At that time, the volunteers will be given a t-shirt, name tags and their assignment(s) for the activities.

Thank you ☺

VILLAGE MEETINGS & CONTACTS

What:  **President and Board of Trustees Meetings**
When: August 9, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.
Where: Village Hall, 2nd Floor, Auditorium
Cable TV: Replays at 9:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. & 1:30 a.m.

VILLAGE CONTACTS

Executive Offices:

Mayor's Office: (708) 499-7740
Assistant to the Mayor: (708) 499-7742
Village Manager's Office: (708) 499-7743
Village Clerk's Office: (708) 499-7738
Assistant to Village Manager & Village Clerk: (708) 499-7744

Village Trustees:

District 1: Jerry Hurckes (708) 346-7001
District 2: Alex Olejniczak (708) 346-7002
District 3: Robert Streit (708) 346-7003
District 4: Tom Duhig (708) 346-7004
District 5: Carol Quinlan (708) 346-7005
District 6: Tom Phelan (708) 346-7006

Departments

Human Resources Department: (708) 499-7882
Finance Department (Cashier): (708) 499-7777
Community Services Department: (708) 423-3361
Public Works Department: (708) 499-7750
Building Department: (708) 499-7802 or 7803
Water Department: (708) 499-7747
Water Department - Bills Inquiries: (708) 499-7762
Engineering Department: (708) 499-7814
Police Department (Non-Emergency): (708) 422-8292
Animal Control Department: (708) 499-7720
Property Maintenance/Environmental Health: (708) 499-7820
Business Operations Department: (708) 499-7821 or 7837
Police Department: Administration (708) 499-7724
Communications Department: (708) 499-7787
Emergency Operations Department: (708) 636-5141 or 5142
Fire Department Non-Emergency: (708) 499-7700



WHAT: **FREE SHREDDING DAY**
Document Shredding to safeguard your identity.
WHEN: July 30, 2011; 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Bell West Community Credit Union
9930 Southwest Highway
CONTACT: (708) 576-5600

PARENT INFORMATION

**St. Gerald Catholic School, 9320 South 55th Court
Oak Lawn, IL 60453, 708-422-0121**

St. Gerald Catholic School is still accepting applications for fall enrollment!! For more information please contact St. Gerald School at 708-422-0121 or email: school@stgerald.com. All families are welcome to join St. Gerald's family!

St. Gerald School proudly provides an excellent Catholic education to PreK-3 through 8th grade students. Aside from a strong core curriculum we also offer: computers, Spanish, music, gym and library time for all students.

The Preschool Age 3 and 4 programs have both full time and part time options. This program is curriculum based to give your child a strong educational foundation in a fun learning environment.

For our working parents, we provide an extended day program, offering before and after school care for our students.

Our strong faith and commitment to education make St. Gerald a [Great Place to Be!!](#)

THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

Anniversary Week Special Activities Line Up:

July 20, 2011: Free Jim Gill Concert at 7:00 p.m.

July 22, 2011: Fannie May Chocolate Experience from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
And a Member Only Night with Special Entertainment from
6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

July 26, 2011: Nature's Creatures at 11:00 a.m.

July 28, 2011: Nature's Creatures at 7:00 p.m.

July 30, 2011: 5K Run and Kid's Dash

OAK LAWN PARK DISTRICT



WHAT:

Volunteerism Panel

Meet representatives from Americorps/Vista and the Peace Corps, as well as independent aid worker and Oak Lawn optometrist, Dr. Sandra Bury, who travels internationally to distribute eyeglasses to those in need.

WHEN:

Thursday, July 21, 2011

7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Oak Lawn Public Library, (708) 422-4990

www.oaklawlibrary.org



WHAT:

Family Movie: "Rango"

In this 2011 animated film, Rango becomes the sheriff in the Wild West town of Dirt. The movie is rated G and 107 minutes.

WHEN:

Friday, July 22, 2011

12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Oak Lawn Public Library, (708) 422-4990

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WHAT:

Free Concert: Music of Ireland

Traditional Irish dance tunes performed on the harp and fiddle.

WHEN:

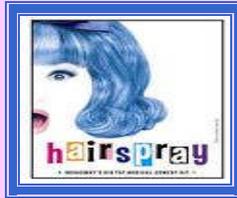
Wednesday, July 27, 2011

7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Oak Lawn Public Library, (708) 422-4990

www.oaklawlibrary.org

Oak Lawn Park District Presents: "HAIRSPRAY"



Friday, August 5, 2011: 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 6, 2011: 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 7, 2011: 3:00 p.m.
Friday, August 12, 2011: 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 13, 2011: 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 14, 2011: 3:00 p.m.

Oak View Center
4625 West 110th Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708) 857-2200

HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS:

STAND DOWN 2011 COLLECTION DRIVE FOR HOMELESS VETERANS

STAND DOWN 2011 is a two day event for Homeless Veterans seeking rest, hope and fellowship. National statistics tell us that veterans who become homeless do so approximately 7 years after their military discharge. Each year more and more veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan are seeking services and experiencing many of the same difficulties as veterans of previous wars. This year **STAND DOWN 2011** will be on August 5, 2011 and August 6, 2011 at the General Jones Armory at 5200 South Cottage Grove Avenue in Chicago. Free health screenings, clothing and meals will be provided. Social Service agencies and Veteran coordinators will also be available for helpful information and services.

Cook County Commissioner Joan Patricia Murphy is collecting toiletries and sundry items for **STAND DOWN 2011**. Donations of gently used men's clothing are also needed. Donations must be received before Wednesday, August 3, 2011 at Commissioner Murphy's District Office, located at 5405 West 127th Street in Crestwood. Remember these brave soldiers who served our country in the past and now need our help and support. Please show your gratitude to all veterans by donating items for the **STAND DOWN 2011** collection drive. For more information on **STAND DOWN 2011** or to volunteer call Patrice at Commissioner Joan Murphy's Office at (708) 389-2125.

Homeless Shelter Needs Volunteers

South Suburban PADS seeks volunteers to staff their emergency overnight shelter that will operate out of the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Chicago Heights this summer. Volunteers assist with guest services, hospitality, supervision, registration and completion of paper work. Shelters are open from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 a.m., Monday through Friday beginning May 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011. Volunteers are asked to work one four-hour shift during the overnight hours, once each month. Volunteers are also needed to supply a hot, ready-to-serve evening meal once a month. Interested parties please call (708) 754-4357 and ask for Dawn Thrasher, Community Resource Coordinator.

St. Gerald Carnival Southwest Highway and Central Avenue, Oak Lawn

Thursday, August 11, 2011: 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Friday, August 12, 2011: 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 13, 2011: 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 14, 2011: 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Mega passes available:
Good for ALL rides for ALL 4 days for ALL ages!

Presale Tickets: \$40.00
Tickets Purchases at Carnival: \$60.00

Please call parish office at (708) 422-0234
to purchase Mega Passes.

Saturday and Sunday Ride Specials:
\$20.00 Wristbands - Good from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Bingo and Food Court are open all 4 days.
Beer Garden Evening Entertainment:

Thursday, August 11, 2011

DJ Dunn
5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 13, 2011

Bobby Dunne Band
3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Squidd
7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Friday, August 12, 2011

Delightful/ARRA
7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 14, 2011

Hurricane Gumbo
7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.



**THE GOAL POST
IRISH MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Friday, July 29, 2011
Saturday, July 30, 2011
Behind the Goal Post Tavern
5207 West 95th Street
(708) 422-5275
Time to be announced.

**PARK LAWN
GRAND RAFFLE**

Local non-profit Park Lawn is holding the annual Grand Raffle Drawing with the grand prize being a choice of \$15,000 cash or a 2011 Harley Davidson FXDWG Dyna Wide Glide, or a 2012 Ford Focus.

The second prize is \$5,000, third prize is \$3,000, fourth prize is \$1,000, fifth prize is \$500, sixth prize is \$300 and seventh through tenth will be \$200.

Grand Raffle drawing and reception will be held on July 28th at Park Lawn School, 10833 South LaPorte in Oak Lawn. Tickets are \$100 each and only 900 tickets will be sold.

Tickets can be purchased at sponsor locations or the Park Lawn location at 10833 S. LaPorte in Oak Lawn or online at www.parklawn.com. This year's Grand Raffle is being sponsored by Chicago Harley-Davidson of Glenview and Terry's Automotive Group of Orland Park.

For more information about the Grand Raffle please call Park Lawn at 708-425-6867.

The Grand Raffle is an annual fundraising event for Park Lawn, a non-profit organization offering a variety of programs and services such as adult developmental training, residential facilities, vocational training, supported employment and more for individuals with developmental disabilities since 1955. The mission of Park Lawn is to provide services that promote independence, choice and access to community for people with developmental disabilities. More information about Park Lawn can be found at www.parklawn.com.



The Village of Oak Lawn would like residents to be aware of available resources for further information on Fair Housing. Please refer to the websites below.

Fair Housing Information

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/FHLaws/FairHousingJan2002.pdf>

Rental Housing Discrimination

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/>

Foreclosure Prevention

<http://www.makinghomeaffordable.gov/>

Housing Choice Voucher Program

<http://www.thehacc.org/index.aspx>

For further information please contact the Fair Housing Administrator
9446 South Raymond Avenue, Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453, 708 499-7806

The Oak Lawn Fair Housing Commission meets the third Tuesday of January, April, July and October @ 4:00 p.m. in the Lower Level Conference Room.

It is Illegal to Discriminate Against Any Person based upon race, color, religion, creed, ancestry, national origin, age, sex, marital status, military status, unfavorable discharge from military service, familial status or physical or mental handicap

In the sale or rental of housing or residential lots; In the appraisal of housing; In the provision of real estate brokerage services; In advertising the sale or rental of housing; In the financing of housing.

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Hilton Oak Lawn

St. Xavier University

Tria Architecture

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Skyline Restoration
Kelly Nissan
Law Offices of Kevin Cunningham
Querrey & Harrow
Mesirow
Ungaretti & Harris
Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home
Crowley-Sheppard Asphalt Inc.
H & D Maintenance, Inc.
Southwest Spring, Inc.
Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc.
Kevin Electric
Prestige Painting & Custom Design, Inc.
Factory Motor Parts
M. E. Simpson Co., Inc.
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Martin Whalen Group
Gallagher Asphalt
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Marathon Sportswear, Inc.
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Resource Management Associates
Blake Lamb Funeral Home
Clark Environmental Mosquito Management
Rainbow Farm Enterprises, Inc.
International Union of Operating Engineers
Local 150
Martin & Martin, Inc.
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Phil Wengel, Inc.
H D Supply Waterworks
Red Wing Shoe Source
Brett Equipment Corporation
Spring Air Filter, Inc.**

**PLEASE SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT OAK LAWN
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR
SHOP LOCAL & SHOP OAK LAWN**



Medical Center, 102nd & Cicero Avenue

RSA Properties recently purchased the Fox Valley Suzuki Dealership at 10201 S. Cicero Avenue. The 24,000 sq.ft. building was sold for \$1.5 M dollars and will be converted into a lavish, 3 story medical facility. Ground breaking will begin in the spring of 2011. RSA Properties also owns the Merrionette Park Medical Center located at 116th & Kedzie.



Medical Center, 95th & Normandy

The former Napleton Honda Dealership was recently sold for \$3M. The 17,000 sq.ft. Building located at 6701 West 95th Street sits on 2.5 acres and will be the home to a 40,000 sq.ft Medical Office. An outstanding medical architectural and planning firm has been hired for a planned orthopedic center. The perimeter brick wall and landscaping will remain as well as a portion of the existing brick building; however, there will be significantly renovations for new design. Builder Don Jeanes will be the construction company on-site.



NEW BUSINESSES COMING TO OAK LAWN

If you are opening a new business in the Village of Oak Lawn, please contact the Mayor's Office at (708) 499-7742 or email us at coleary@oaklawn-il.gov. We will include your new business information in "A Community United" E-Newsletter for two weeks. THIS SERVICE IS FREE. Over 2,000 residents receive "A Community United" E-Newsletter every other Thursday. It is our way of welcoming you to the Village of Oak Lawn and letting the residents learn about a new business in our community.

Thank you for taking the time to read this edition of "A Community United" E-Newsletter. If you are interested in receiving the E-Newsletter via regular mail or email, please contact Carmie O'Leary at (708) 499-7742 or email your request at coleary@oaklawn-il.gov.