



Village of Oak Lawn

A Community United E-Newsletter

September 2, 2009

Keeping residents up to speed with the latest Village news

The Village of Oak Lawn 2009 Fall On The Green



100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY
1909-2009

The Village of Oak Lawn, together with our many friends from the business community, is once again proud to sponsor the **Fall on the Green** Festival.

Fall on the Green is a great opportunity for families in Oak Lawn to gather together, listen to good music, enjoy fine food, and most importantly have a great time with your friends and neighbors. The festival is made possible through the efforts of our dedicated Special Events Committee and like last year a portion of the proceeds raised will be donated to the Park Lawn Foundation.

This year's event is also the culmination of 100 days of celebration of our Centennial Anniversary. Over the past few months several thousand residents have come to the center of town to enjoy a terrific summer of concerts and events which truly have brought our community closer together.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the Village Administration, a very special thank you to the businesses, sponsors, and volunteers who help make this event such a great weekend for Oak Lawn.

Mayor Dave Heilmann

Friday, September 11th 6:00 p.m. - Midnight
Saturday, September 12th 11:00 a.m. - Midnight
Sunday, September 13th 11:00 a.m. - 8:00p.m.

Free Admission/Free Parking/Free Shuttle Bus Service

Arts & Crafts Tent

Saturday, 11:00 am – 7:00 pm; Sunday, 11:00 am – 6:00 pm

Children's Area

Inflatables, Super Slide, Obstacle Course, Face Painters,
Bath Tub Racers, Tattoo Parlor

Teen Area

Climbing Wall, Football Throw, Free Throw Contest, Hi Striker, DJ & Karaoke,
Bungee Run

The Village is looking for volunteers for this year's Fall on the Green in several different capacities. Two hour time slots are available. This is a wonderful opportunity for students who are in need of service hours. For more information or to register on line, click on <http://oaklawn-il.gov/getdoc/917a05f2-0d87-4665-9fc8-1901fc1817b4/Volunteers.aspx> .

ENTERTAINMENT

FRIDAY

6:00 pm **The Well** - Budweiser Beer Garden
7:30 pm **Dreams** - Boost Mobile Main Stage
9:45 pm **The Walk-Ins** – Budweiser Beer Garden

SATURDAY

1:30 pm **Richards HS Marching Band** – Boost Mobile Main Stage
1:30 pm **Oak Lawn HS Marching Band** - Boost Mobile Main Stage
2:30 pm **Dash Red** – Budweiser Beer Garden
3:00 pm **The Bolts** - Gazebo
5:00 pm **The Opinions** – Budweiser Beer Garden
7:30 pm **Sixteen Candles** – Boost Mobile Main Stage
9:45 pm **The Hat Guys** – Budweiser Beer Garden

SUNDAY

12:00 pm **Indigo Jazz 5** – Boost Mobile Main Stage
2:00 pm **The New Invaders** – Budweiser Beer Garden
3:00 pm **The Bolts** – Gazebo
3:30 pm **Tin Horse** – Budweiser Beer Garden

Village Board Approves Agreement with Local 150

At the August 28, 2009 meeting, the Village Board approved a multi-year agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150 that will both save jobs and help the Village through its financial hard times.

17 jobs in the public works division and administration were scheduled to be cut under a proposal to reduce the Village deficit. Included in the concessions were 96 employees agreeing to no pay for the remaining holidays in 2009, certain employees working 4 day weeks, and a wage freeze for 2010.

"We believe it's a good deal beneficial not only to the Union members and the Village but to the citizens of Oak Lawn that rely on these workers to provide extremely important services" said Local 150 President-Business Manager James M. Sweeney.

"I would like to personally thank all who worked so diligently in a short period of time to reach this resolution," said Oak Lawn Mayor Dave Heilmann. "These are difficult economic times and everyone recognized the need to step to the plate, come together, and find a way to reduce the deficit while continuing to provide essential services to residents. It was a great result achieved by all."

SCHOOL NEWS

Worth Township Pixie School

What: An organized play school group open to children ages 3 – 5. Students must be toilet trained. Proof of residency required.

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning **September 8** and throughout the school year. Morning class is 9:00 – 11:30 am. Afternoon class is 1:00 – 3:30 pm.

Where: Worth Township, 11601 S. Pulaski, 708.371.2900

Info: Youth Commission Director Sue Sorentino 708.371.2900 ext. 45 or youthcommission@worthtownship.com.

FLASH – Fun and Leisure After School Hours

What: Program dedicated to providing safe, healthy, fun and recreational opportunities to children before and after school. Joint venture between School District 123 and the Oak Lawn Park District.

When: Before school – 7:00 am until school begins. After school – school dismissal until 6:00 pm.

Where: Covington & Hannum elementary schools.

Info: Contact Colleen at 708398.6288 or cgorman@olparks.com.

NOW OPEN!



5100 Museum Drive in Oak Lawn
(Next to the Train Station on 95th Street)

Monday—Saturday 9:30am to 5:00pm
Sunday 12:00pm to 5:00pm

\$6 per child / \$6 per adult
\$5 Seniors 55+

Children under one are always free

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Since its opening on July 27, the Children's Museum has had more than 5,000 visitors. The response has been terrific. Due to the large volume of guests the Children's Museum is looking for additional volunteers to serve in a variety of capacities. If you are interested, please contact Bill Prusinski at 708.599.0347.



Water Restrictions are in effect as of **May 15**. Odd numbered addresses may water on odd days and even numbered addresses on even days from **7:00 – 11:00 am and 7:00 – 11:00 pm**. Automated underground sprinkling systems may be used between the hours of midnight and 5:00 a.m.

E-Waste Day will be held on Saturday, **October 3**, from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm at the Public Works Street Garage at 5532 West 98th St. Residents are encouraged to bring any damaged or unused electronics to be disposed of properly.

KIDNEY TRANSPLANT PROGRAM APPROVED AT ADVOCATE CHRIST MEDICAL CENTER

Last month Advocate Christ Medical's Center received official notification that it had received approval to begin kidney transplants from the United Network for Organ Sharing (the national agency that accredits institutions for solid organ transplantation). This approval became official after a rigorous review and analysis of Advocate's application.

Your questions...our answers

You asked: Is the Village still selling yard waste toters.

We answered: Yard waste toters are still available for \$40. Order forms are available at the Cashier's Window at the Village Hall.

If you have a question about Oak Lawn, please let us know. We'll put the answer in our next *Community United* e-newsletter.

PARK LAWN CLASSICS 2009 COOKBOOK

Park Lawn's commemorative cookbook is filled with treasured collections of recipes from staff, family, friends donors and volunteers. It is filled with mouth-watering recipes from appetizers, beverages, main dishes and desserts.

The cookbooks are \$15 and available for pickup only in the business office at Park Lawn School. To order your "Park Lawn Classics 2009" cookbook please contact Nancy Schmitz, Julie Kurent or Kathy Dehlin in the business office at 708.425.6867.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Kickn4Kordas fundraiser

- What:** Fundraiser for the family of Sue Kordas who passed away after a long courageous battle with Synovial Sarcoma.
- When:** Sunday, **September 27**, 2:00 – 7:00 pm
- Where:** 115 Bourbon Street, Merrionette Park
- Info:** Donations are being accepted at Private Bank, 3052 W. 111th St. in Chicago (Attn: Sharon Duer) or through PayPal on the website www.kickin4kordas.com. For raffle or admission tickets and/or donations of food, silent auction or raffle prizes please contact any of the following Committee Members: Don O'Keefe – 708.424.1876, Meg Gorman – 708.214.9402, Mary & Jim Hopkins – 708.499.4335, Mimi & Al Zaleski – 708.422.8647, Michelle Carberry – 708.423.5859, Marybeth Rotkovich – 708. 937.3073, Tom Kordas – 773.330.8224, Marty O'Connell – 708.907.5367

The Barry Family Benefit

- What:** Benefit for the family of John Barry an Oak Lawn resident who recently passed away from ALS leaving behind a wife and three small children.
- When:** Sunday, **October 18**, 3:00 – 9:00 pm
- Where:** Local 150 Operating Engineers' Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside
- Info:** Donations are being accepted at Integra Bank, 7661 S. Harlem. Checks are payable to the Barry Family Benefit Fund.



***VILLAGE OF OAK LAWN
COMMEMORATIVE CENTENNIAL GARDEN FLAGS
\$15.00
Available at the Cashier's Window in the Village Hall***

SPORTS & RECREATION

Youth Indoor Soccer Draft League

- What:** Open to girls and boys ages 6 – 13. Teams begin practicing December 12 and games begin in January.
- When:** Early Bird Registration runs through November 14. General Registration runs November 15 – November 21. Late fees apply after November 22.
- Cost:** Early bird: Resident - \$69. Non resident - \$95. General Registration: Resident - \$79. Non resident - \$105. Late Registration: Resident – \$89. Non resident - \$115.

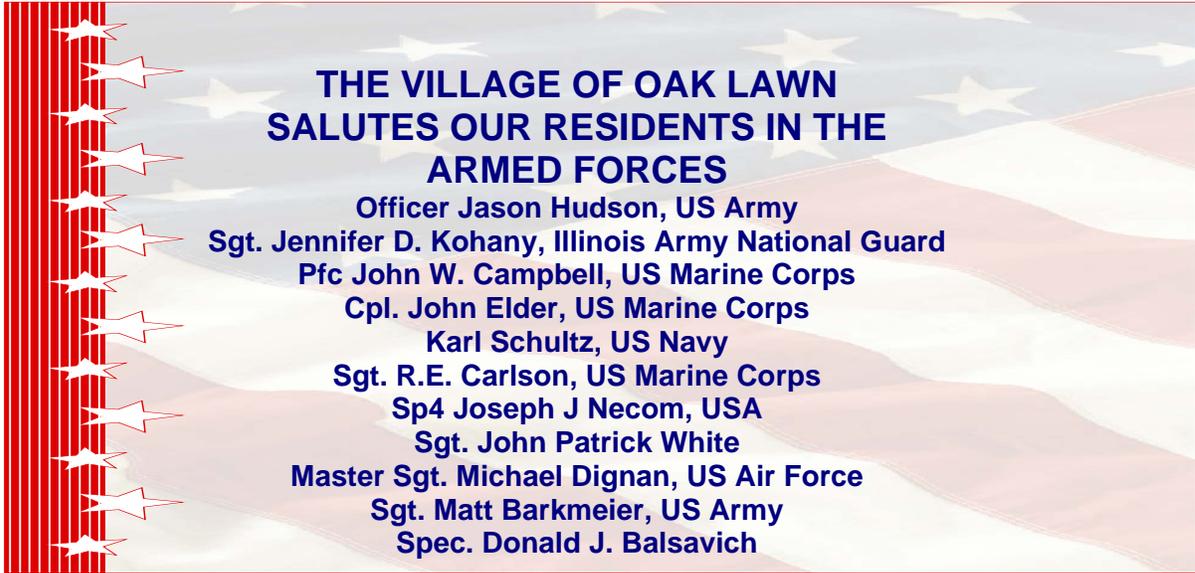
Casting Call – The Producers

- What:** Auditions for the musical The Producers. Wear proper attire and be prepared to sing a song from the show. Open to those in high school (with proper ID) and older.
- When:** Sunday, **September 13** from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Monday, **September 14** at 7:30 pm.
- Where:** Oak View Center, 4625 W 110th Street, 708.857.2200



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

**Sgt. Michael Sorice, US Air Force
Pfc Kyle Taylor, US Marine Corps
PFC Michael J. Roberts, US Army
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
Lt. Colonel John Paul Klatt, US Air Force
Jamie Hojek, US Navy
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. Zylius, 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 Pasquerrella, 82nd Airborne
Sgt. Jeff M. Marsinkowski, US Air Force
Sp4 Archie Thompson, IV
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
Spc. Don Brady, US Army
OS2 Stacy L. Johnson, USS
Spec. 4 Timothy Walker, US Army**



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 mgorman@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 mqorman@oaklawn-il.gov.

YOUR HEALTH

Powerful Tools for Caregivers - PLOWS Caregiver Program

What: Six part training program to enable caregivers to better care for themselves by improving their own self-confidence and problem solving skills.

When: Monday, **September 14 through October 19.** 1:00 – 3:30 pm.

Where: Hickory Hills Community Center, 7800 W. 89th St.

Cost: \$15

Info: PLOWS Council on Aging. (708) 361.0219. Financial assistance may be available to those who qualify.

Free Prostrate Cancer Screenings – Advocate Christ Medical Center

What: Advocate will be offering free prostate cancer screenings for the community. The checkup – for men primarily between the ages of 40 and 75 – will involve a digital rectal examination and a PSA (prostate-specific antigen) blood test.

When: Wednesday, **September 23,** 5:00 – 8:00 pm.

Where: Advocate Medical Center, 4440 W. 95th St.

Info: Contact 800.323.8622 to registrar and refer to code 1C16.

PAINT THE TOWN PINK: Health Information for Women

What: Advocate Christ Medical Center in partnership with the American Cancer Society and AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals free presentation and lecture series on Breast Cancer. Free lunch to follow the presentation. Vendor fair is provided. Seating is limited. All proceeds benefit education at the Advocate Christ Center for Breast Care.

When: Saturday, **October 3**, 8:00 am until 1:30 pm. Registration required by **September 25**. Contact 1.8900.323.8622 (code 1C35)

Where: Christ Medical Center Auditorium and Conference Center, 93rd and Kilbourn Ave.

Info: Patrice Stephens at 708.684.5849; Peggy Kupres at 708.684.3835 or Donna Boersma at 708.684.3291.

Autism Today & Tomorrow Expo

What: An all day event for parents, educators, health professionals or anyone who wishes to learn more about Autism. Vendors with products and raffle prizes will be present.

When: Saturday, **October 24**, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Where: Moraine Valley Community College, Building M, Conference Center, 9000 W. College Parkway, Palos Hills, 708.974.5735.
morainevalley.edu/wdcs.

Massage Therapy

What: Massage therapy is used to reduce stress, increase circulation and detoxify overexerted muscles. Open to men and women. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Where: Community Pavilion, 9400 S. Oak Park Ave.

Info: 708.857.2420

Personal Training

What: Meet with a certified personal trainer who will design a program to improve your cardiovascular fitness, muscle strength and endurance. Increase flexibility, improve body image and lose weight.

Where: Community Pavilion, 9400 S. Oak Park Ave.

Info: 708.857.2420

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/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**



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.**

The Apple Tree Program



“Apple Tree” is a program which can help families with the financial difficulty of replacing school supplies for their children throughout the school year.

What you need to do:

- * Pick up application at Worth Township or Oak Lawn Family Service
 - * Take your completed application to the Worth Township office along with COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
 - * Birth certificates for your children
 - * Identification and Utility Bill with the same address
 - * Supply list from your child's school
- (Worth Township will NOT make copies - 2009 Update)*

How you can help:

The program is made possible by the generous donations from local residents, businesses, church groups, schools and civic groups.

Wish list: Crayola crayons, Washable markers, Pens, #2 pencils, Red correction pens, Highlighters, Pencil sharpeners and large erasers, School boxes/pencil bags, Elmer's glue (4oz), Glue sticks, Loose leaf paper, Spiral notebooks (wide-ruled 70ct), 3&5 subject notebooks, Fiskar scissors, Pocket folders, Protractors, Compasses, Wooden rulers, Crayola washable paints, Lined index cards, Book covers, Kleenex, Paper towels, Sandwich & Gallon size Zip Lock bags, School bags

For more information or to drop off donations, please contact

Worth Township
11601 S. Pulaski Road, Alsip, IL 60803
708-371-2900

http://www.worhtownship.com/apple_tree_program.htm

Apple Tree Program Drop Box
at the Village of Oak Lawn at 9446 South Raymond Avenue

Village of Oak Lawn Recycling Program

CANS & FOIL

- Metal cans
- Aluminum cans
- Aerosol cans (non-hazardous, empty, e.g., whipped cream, hairspray)
- Foil metal lids and food trays



CARDBOARD

If your business generates a large quantity of cardboard, bin collection service for separated, flattened corrugated cardboard is available. Contact the Recycling Program.

Please note the items that can and cannot be recycled. If you ever have any questions about what can and can't be recycled curbside, please contact mgorman@oaklawn-il.gov. You can visit www.Earth911.com to learn about alternate sites to bring your recyclable items that the Village cannot take curbside.

***BUSINESS SPECIALS FOR OAK LAWN RESIDENTS
ONLY***

Each e-mail will feature a few Oak Lawn businesses with special offers for our residents. Just mention that you are an Oak Lawn resident and read about the offer "A Community United" email newsletter. Our features this edition are:



Oak Lawn's Best Kept Secret

Great Food
In A Beautiful
Setting

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FREE ATTORNEY VISIT

Attorney Michael J. Maslanka is offering a free, in-your-home, consultation to elderly (65 and over) or disabled Oak Lawn residents. Michael has been an attorney for 24 years and is a graduate of Brother Rice High School and St. Xavier University, and is an Oak Lawn resident. You can reach Michael at (312) 641-2424.

Offer good through December 31, 2009.

RESUME WRITING SERVICES

Sending out your resumes and not getting the response you're looking for? Recent college grad? Old resume needs tweaking? ***I CAN HELP!*** I am an HR Manager (and Oak Lawn resident) with more than 20 years of experience in Human Resources. Over the course of my career I have literally reviewed 10s of thousand's of resumes. I know what works and what doesn't. I know what kind of resumes HR professionals find most informative and easiest to read. With the job market the way it is today, it is essential to have a resume that captures the HR professional's interest. ***So who better to write your resume than ME!*** Rates are reasonable and turnaround time is quick. **(Also offering Cover Letter writing services as well).**

GET YOUR RESUME TO THE TOP OF THE PILE! - 20% DISCOUNT TO OAK LAWN RESIDENTS!!

Sandy Killeen
708-650-0636
sandykilleen@yahoo.com

Thanks for taking the time to read this edition of *A Community United*. Please know that your comments and concerns are always appreciated at information@oaklawn-il.gov