



Village of Oak Lawn

A Community United E-Newsletter

January 4, 2010

Keeping residents up to speed with the latest Village news

FEBRUARY 2, 2010 PRIMARY ELECTION INFORMATION

Registration - The last day to register to vote in the Oak Lawn Clerk's Office for the February 2 Primary Election is tomorrow, Tuesday, January 5. Please bring two forms of identification. Village Hall hours are 8:30 am – 5:00 pm.

Absentee Voting – Absentee ballot applications are available in the Oak Lawn Clerk's Office. You may also call the Clerk's Office at 708.499.7738 to have one mailed to you. Absentee ballots must be postmarked by February 1 for acceptance by the County Clerk's Office.

Early Voting – Early voting begins on Monday, January 11 through Thursday, January 28. Early voting is available in the Oak Lawn Clerk's Office at the Village Hall, Mondays through Fridays, 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. The Clerk's Office will be open *for early voting only* Monday, January 18 and Saturdays January 16 and 23 from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. Please bring one form of state identification.

Grace Period Registration & Voting – Grace Period registration and voting will be conducted Wednesday, January 6 through Tuesday, January 26 at the County Clerk's downtown office (69 W. Washington) and the five suburban Courthouse mini-centers. The hours are 9:00 am – 5:00 pm January 6-8, 11-16, 18-23 and 25-26. Sunday hours are 9:00 am – 3:00 pm January 17 and 24. Please bring two forms of identification.

In Person Absentee Voting – In person absentee voting begins on Friday, January 29 through Monday, February 1 at the County Clerk's Office in the downtown office only at 69 W. Washington St. and five suburban Courthouse mini-centers.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding elections, please feel free to contact Clerk Jane Quinlan at 708.499.7738.



Village of Oak Lawn



One Day Only!

Electronic recycling drop off @ Public Works Garage: 5532/ 5550 W. 98th St.

Saturday, January 16 - 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

All electronics will be taken. Anything with a plug will be collected. You may also drop off used inkjet/toner cartridges and all batteries (except automobile). Remove all acid or ink and place in a paper bag or newspaper to prevent spillage. Eyeglasses, hearing aids and gently used shoes will also be collected. For further information on the collection of shoes please visit www.sharyoursoles.org.

CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP JANUARY 2010

- Public Works will be recycling (chipping) live Christmas trees for single family residences Fridays, **January 8th & 15th** (weather permitting)
- If the tree has lights, tinsel or ornaments and is placed curbside with the garbage, Veolia will pickup the tree as regular refuse.
- Residents are encouraged to recycle their live tree by
 - Calling 708-499-7758 or e-mailing* (see below)
 - Placing the tree curbside keeping it visible if snowfall should occur
 - Free the tree of tinsel, lights and ornaments

Thank you for your participation in this “**Green**” program.

“Think Green, Live Green,” *Village of Oak Lawn Green Team*

*You can also send an e-mail notification to greenteam@oaklawn-il.gov. Please include your name, address and phone number and date tree is ready for pickup (Jan. 8th, 2010 or Jan. 15th, 2010.) In the subject please address “**Christmas tree recycling request.**”

Village of Oak Lawn Spring 2010 Parkway Tree Planting Program

Deadline for 2010 tree planting applications is January 31st, 2010.

Deadline for 2011 tree planting applications is August 1st, 2010.

The Village of Oak Lawn will adjust its tree planting program to once per year starting in 2010. Allocations are nearly full. A few trees are still available. For a \$75 investment you receive a 2 to 2.5" caliper tree, delivered, installed, and mulched. (The height varies from 8-14' tall, pending on species and caliper.) Only \$65 for an oak tree!

If you have been thinking about planting a tree between the curb and sidewalk, contact the Village Forester now to reserve your place, hgreen@oaklawn-il.gov or 708-499-7098. The Forestry Division will assist in selecting an appropriate tree. Applications must be received by **January 31st** for consideration of planting this year. ***Applications received after this date will be planted in 2011.***



Rental Property License Registration forms were due **January 1, 2010**. It is mandatory by Village Code that all residential properties in the Village that are rented should be registered. Forms are available on line at www.oaklawn-il.gov or at the Village Hall.

The Village Hall will be closed for business on **Monday, January 18**, in observance of the Martin Luther King holiday. Garbage service will not be interrupted.

Snow Routes - Vehicles cannot be parked on streets that are designated Snow Routes when there is snow that has accumulated 1 inch or more. Vehicles will be cited or towed.

SCHOOL NEWS

Third Annual St. Linus Ladies Bunco Night

What: Bring your family and friends to this Ladies Night Out full of games and prizes. Sponsored by the St. Linus Ladies Guild. Buffet, drinks and BUNCO included in ticket price of \$35.

When: Saturday, **January 23**. Doors open at 6 pm. Bunco starts at 7:30 pm

Info: Contact Beth Barry at 708.422.6537

School District 123 Early Childhood Screening

What: Children, ages 3-5 years, will be screened in the areas of motor, concepts, self help, social, and speech/language development. The district boundaries are as follows: North-87th St., South-107th St., East-Pulaski Rd, West-Central Ave. Free for residents.

When: **February 5 & April 16**, 2010.

Where: Brandt School, 8901 S. 52nd Ave.

Registration: Call Lola Vertucci or Ann Contino at (708) 423-8363.

2010 St. Gerald Dinner Dance "Diamonds & Pearls R 4 Ever"

What: Annual dinner dance. Donations for silent/live auctions are being accepted until January 7. Ticket price includes dinner and a five hour open bar (soda, beer, wine).

When: Saturday, **February 6**, 6:00 – 11:00 pm

Cost: \$40 per person or \$380 per table of 10. Tables may be reserved and payment is due by January 20. Contact CathyJo Andrews, 708.369.2124.

COMPUTER CLASSES AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY

Hands-on classes taught in the Computer Center at the Oak Lawn Public Library.

Mondays, **January 11, 25 and Feb. 1** from 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Excel 2007 Basics (test required prior to registration for excel only)

Thursdays, 9:00 – 10:30 am

January 7 – *Windows (Vista)*

January 14 – *Introduction to the Internet*

January 21 – *Hot to Email*

January 28 – *Word Processing 1*

Saturday, **January 23**, from 9:00 – 10:30 am – *PowerPoint*

Participants must be skilled with using the mouse and keyboard.
\$5.00 charge for classes - no refunds - exact change - cash only

Registration required, limited to 15 per class (Excel – 6 per class)

5300 W. 95th St. 708.422.4990 www.oaklawnlibrary.org



Special Olympics
Illinois

SPECIAL OLYMPIC BASKETBALL DAY
FEATURING
OAKLAWN'S JR. JORDANS & EAGLES

HOSTED AT BROTHER RICE HIGH SCHOOL

JANUARY 16, 2010
DOORS OPEN AT 3:00 PM

GAME 1 AT 3:30 PM STARRING THE OAK LAWN JR. JORDAN'S
GAME 2 AT 4:30 PM STARRING THE OAK LAWN EAGLES

Come out and enjoy great food, half time entertainment and the best basketball in town. All proceeds go to benefit the Athletic Program of the Oak Lawn Park District's Special Recreation Department

!!! LET'S PACK THE HOUSE !!!

Presented by the Oak Lawn Park District, S.R.S.A. Ltd., and St. Linus.
Sponsored by the St. Linus Athletic & Men's Clubs.

Tickets \$5 in advance

St. Linus (Ray Graylak) – 773.416.8928
Brother Rice (Mike McShane) – 773.429.4300
Mother McAuley (Laurie Jakubczak) – 773.881.6500
Oak Lawn Park District (Todd Mallo) – 708.857.2200
Marist (Tom Inzinga) – 773.881.5379



St. Linus



SPORTS & RECREATION

Boxing 8th Annual Tournament of High School Champions

What: 8th Annual boxing fundraiser that awarded over \$20,000 in scholarships to students in participating schools. Over \$100,000 in scholarships have been awarded since the fundraiser's inception. Big Cash Raffle Tickets available. \$100, \$250 & \$500 sponsorships are still available.

When: Preliminary Bouts – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, **March 22 – 24.**
Championship – Friday, **March 26.**

Where: 115 Bourbon Street, 3359 W. 115 St., Merrionette Park

Info: Mike Fitzgerald 708.925.5810

YOUR HEALTH

Oak Lawn Community Partnership Free Health Screenings

What: Free blood pressure screenings offered by the Oak Lawn Fire Department.

When: Wednesday, **January 13**, 10:00 – 11:00 am

Where: Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 W. 95th St., 708.422.4990

Tips for protecting your heart when shoveling

- Start shoveling as soon as it starts to snow before it gets too heavy.
- Take breaks and drink plenty of water.
- Use proper form and equipment. The correct size shovel will require less work on your part and make shoveling easier. Lift with your knees instead of your back. Pushing instead of lifting puts less strain on your body.
- Do not eat a heavy meal prior to shoveling.
- Listen to your body. If your body is sending you signals, stop and take a break until you're reenergized.
- Do not pick up too much snow at once. It takes longer to do small loads of snow but it places less strain on your heart, back and neck.
- Avoid alcohol prior to shoveling

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

DJ Ron & the Blend at Stony Creek

What: Music from the Big Bands of the 20s and 30s, to the roots of Rock'n Roll from the 40's and 50's. Enjoy live and dj music. Buffet luncheon and cash bar. Advanced registration. \$14 per adult

When: Wednesday, **January 6**, 12:00 pm. Buffet – 12:30 pm. Entertainment – 1:30 – 2:30 pm

Where: Stony Creek Clubhouse, 5350 W. 103rd St., 708.857.7226

Wine Tasting

What: Sample an excellent selection of wines with delicious cheese pairings hosted by Kristie from Southern Wine and Spirits. Wines will be available for purchase.

When: Friday, **January 8**, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Where: Stony Creek Clubhouse, 5350 W. 103rd St., 708.857.7226

Cost: 21 & Older - \$5.

The Ragtime Piano – free concert

What: Pianist Sue Keller will perform ragtime pieces from the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

When: Sunday, **January 10**, 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Where: Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 W. 95th St., 708.422.4990

Jazz Favorites Starring Vince Clark & friends

What: Local musicians will entertain with their finger-snapping classic jazz.

When: Saturday, **January 16**, 7:00 – 10:00 pm.

Where: Stony Creek Clubhouse, 5350 W. 103rd St., 708.857.7226

Cost: \$3. Registration deadline: January 4.

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs – free movie

What: Free viewing of this 2009 animated, family comedy.

When: Monday, **January 18**, 2:00 – 3:30 pm

Where: Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 W. 95th St., 708.422.4990

Katie Sullivan at Stony Creek

What: Local musician Katie Sullivan will provide a great afternoon of song. Buffet will be served. Cash Bar.

When: Wednesday, **January 20**, 12:00 noon.

Cost: Adults - \$15. Children (10 & under) - \$7. Registration deadline – January 6.

Soup's On – Cooking Demonstration

What: Chef Kate Bradley will show you how to create great tasting soups. Receive copies of recipes and enjoy the samples. In person registration began January 2. \$5 fee.

When: Wednesday, **January 20**, 7:00 pm

Where: Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 W. 95th St., 708.422.4990

Bridal Faire at Stony Creek

What: Meet local wedding vendors, view their products. Light appetizers will be served along with a cash bar.

When: Sundays, **January 24 & February 21**, 1:00 – 5:00 pm

Cost: \$5. Registration deadlines – Sundays, January 10 & February 7.

Cooking for Kids

What: Cooking class for kids grades 3 – 5.

When: Tuesday, **January 19**, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Where: Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 W. 95th St., 708.422.4990

Fish Fry Fridays at Stony Creek

What: All-you-can-eat buffet including Dixie whitefish and Corona battered cod. A shrimp and a baked tilapia dinner are also available for \$14.99. Cash bar available.

When: Fridays from **January 22 - April 2**. 5:00 – 8:00 pm.

Where: Stony Creek Clubhouse, 5350 W. 103rd St., 708.857.7226

Cost: Adults - \$13.99. Children (10 & under) - \$7

Charles Martin & Indigo Jazz 5

When: Saturdays, **January 30 & February 13**, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Where: Stony Creek Clubhouse, 5350 W. 103rd St., 708.857.7226

Cost: \$4. Cash bar available.

Big Run Wolf Ranch

What: Free family event with John Basile who will bring a sampling of his ranch residents (a wolf, coyote, woodchuck and a skunk)

When: Sunday, **January 31**, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Where: Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 W. 95th St., 708.422.4990

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Les Brothers Restaurant	\$10	Books & Gifts	
Beggars Pizza	\$10	Archer Bank	\$75
Millie's Ice Cream Shoppe	\$8	Oak Lawn Park District Aquatics	\$20
Vino Tinto	\$7	The Children's Museum of Oak Lawn	\$6
Y.B. Hungry	\$7	Liberty Tax Services	\$30
Wagner's Seafood	\$5	Nancy Koss Salon & Spa	\$25
Top Notch Beefburgers West	\$5	Vogue Hair Designs	\$20
The BookEnds Café	\$5	Touch of Sun Tanning	\$15
Oak Lawn Auto Wash	\$75	SportClips	\$10
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Scialo's Jewelry	\$25	Gateway Motel	\$25
Avenue Flower Shop	\$15		
Serendipity Upscale Resale	\$10		

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Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce
5314 W 95th Street 708.424.8300
www.oaklawnchamber.com
office@oaklawnchamber.com





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

**Sgt. Michael Sorice, US Air Force
Pfc Kyle Taylor, US Marine Corps
Sp. 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. 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
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
Sp. Don Brady, US Army
OS2 Stacy L. Johnson, USS
Sp. 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 mgorman@oaklawn-il.gov.



**VILLAGE OF OAK LAWN
COMMEMORATIVE CENTENNIAL GARDEN FLAGS
\$5.00**

Available at the Cashier's Window in the Village Hall

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



Rinse beverage and food cans, foil and trays

PAPER

- White, colored, glossy paper
- Catalogs
- Magazines
- Newspaper
- Cardboard (flattened and cut to fit loosely)
- Junk mail
- Manila folders
- Paper ream wrappers
- NCR (carbonless) paper
- Paperboard (e.g., office supply, cereal and tissue boxes)
- Paperback books
- Telephone directories
- Non-metallic wrapping paper
- Shredded paper
- Paper envelopes (plastic windows okay)
- Self-stick notes
- Paper bags
- Maps
- Paper egg cartons



Staples, paper clips, labels and tape are okay

GLASS

- Bottles and jars



PLASTIC

- #1-5, & #7 Containers (e.g., soda/water bottles, cottage cheese containers, yogurt cups, pipette boxes, triple-rinsed laboratory bottles)
- Aseptic containers (e.g., milk/juice cartons, drink boxes and pouches)



Look for the number on the bottom of the containers

CARDBOARD

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

NOT ACCEPTED

- Paper, plastic or foil with food residue
- Waxy/ coated cardboard
- Film plastic (e.g., plastic bags, shrink wrap, bubble wrap)
- Plate glass (e.g., window panes, mirrors)
- Ceramics, porcelain
- Light bulbs
- Glassware (e.g., Pyrex)
- Hardback books
- Blueprints
- Photographs
- Thermal fax paper
- Frozen food boxes/cartons (e.g., ice cream)
- Carbon paper
- Metallic paper
- Paper napkins/towels
- Tyvek envelopes (e.g., overnight mailing packages)
- Plastic # 6- Polystyrene (a.k.a. Styrofoam blocks/ "peanuts", food containers/ cups)
- Plastic pipe/tubing



Contact Us
Village of Oak Lawn
9446 S. Raymond
(708) 636-4400
www.oaklawn-il.gov

MIXED RECYCLABLES

Place all recyclables together in the wheeled recycling cart.

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.

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.**

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:

The BookEnds Café

At the Oak Lawn Library



Our unique café features Lavazza brand coffee and espresso drinks, healthy sandwiches, salads, soups and thousands of books to browse through! Enjoy a snack after attending a library program or after a long day of studying.

Check out our website for more information, our full dine in/carry out menu and our Super Bowl XLIV catering menu!

www.thebookendscafe.com

We would like to offer Oak Lawn residents a “Short Story” cup of coffee and one of our delicious cookies for only \$1.00!

Monday – Thursday: 9:00am – 8:00pm

Friday & Saturday: 9:00am – 4:00 pm

Free WI-FI - Friend us on FACEBOOK!

(One offer per person. Please mention this newsletter. Offer expires 1/31/10)



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Must surrender coupon at time of use



WINTER'S IS HERE



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FALL GOLF SPECIALS

Visit our website for Stimulus Package Rates or Call For Details.

See Website For Upcoming Special Events

**THANK YOU TO OUR 2009 FALL ON THE GREEN
 PREFERRED PROVIDERS**

Boost Mobile
City Beverage – Budweiser
Mancari's Chrysler Plymouth
Marketplace of Oak Lawn & Green Oak Shopping Center
Mesirow Financial
Standard Bank & Trust Company
Veolia Environmental Services
Warren Oil

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