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Take Note

President's Message



Dear Chamber Members,

I am amazed that we are already nearing the end of the year, aren't you?

As I write this, I am sitting at the hospital bedside of my mother. She will be entering hospice care by the week's end. As I sit here, I have many thoughts. First, how do I pick up the pieces and lead through the valley of my grief? Secondly, how many people that we see on a daily basis, are fighting a battle we don't even know about? In the time I have been in the chamber, I have seen many members lose loved ones and face challenges that seem

insurmountable. Yet, we keep moving and supporting each other and our community.

I believe that we are right where we belong at any given time. Granted, it is not always comfortable, but change rarely is. I am so thankful for the Orland Chamber and the friends I have made in this organization. Because of the connections I have made in the last 8 years, I know I have people at the ready that I trust who can care for my loved ones and help me navigate through life... and death. It is because of these connections that I don't have to take time away from my family to make decisions and research options. The work is already

done, and I am in great hands.

We get so busy in our lives with activities and things to do that we lose sight of the "constants" until it isn't constant anymore. As we head into the bustle of the holiday season, I encourage you to continue supporting other OPACC members. Be grateful for the little moments that we share and remember that the warmth of a smile or a kind word can make someone's day.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday season.
I appreciate you,

Renee Crews
2018 President
Metamorphosis

Village President's News & Notes



WELCOME, NEW BUSINESSES!

Welcome to all new Chamber members. We have participated in

numerous Chamber ribbon cutting ceremonies over the past year and we welcome and congratulate the many businesses that have chosen to make Orland Park their home.

This past year was challenging for big box stores across the nation. Orland Park was not immune to this as the village experienced the closing of several big-name retailers.

As you now know, Von Maur announced plans to fill the Carson's location at Orland Square and they plan to be open for the 2019 holiday season. The Sears redevelopment should be complete by the summer of 2020. The revamped Carson's retailer signed a lease to fill the vacant Carson's Home Goods store and is expected to open in the first quarter of 2019.

Additionally, Orland Park Place will welcome Hobby Lobby to its mix of tenants in 2019. Finally, Orland Park Crossing, located across from the Main Street area, will welcome Rock & Brews Restaurant. These are just a few of the new developments choosing to invest in Orland Park.

The Orland Park Police Department reports that crime in the village dropped 17% from 2016 to 2017. FBI statistics for all communities cover eight categories and Orland Park showed significant decreases in four of them – burglary, theft, motor vehicle and arson.

The village's burglary statistics for 2017 were the lowest in 25 years. Additionally, crime at Orland Square Mall was down by 29% in 2017. While statistics for 2018 are not official, the village has experienced an additional decrease in crime of more than 10%.

Six companies submitted proposals on a request for proposals to complete the remainder of Downtown Orland Park. After a thorough

review process the village board selected Structured Development, LLC to complete the project. The negotiations for a final agreement are currently in progress and expected to be complete in the first quarter of 2019.

Orland Park continues to be the location of choice for many restaurants. Over the past year, board members were happy to welcome the following eateries to the village: Adoro La Pizza, Al Sufara Grill, Cacao Cafe, City Barbeque, City Roasters – Chicago, Chuy's, Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steaksburgers, McAlister's Deli, Miller's Ale House, PDQ, Pita Pita Mediterranean Grill, Pueblito, Sushi Nova and The Crepe Escape. The Brazilian steakhouse – Texas de Brazil – is slated to open in Orland Square in January 2019.

Best wishes for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year to all!

Keith Pekau
Village President
Village of Orland Park

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Felicitas Cortez

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

MEMBER AWARDS & BOARD INSTALLATION

Join us as we welcome our new President &
the 2019 Board of Directors

TUESDAY
JANUARY 29TH

5:30pm until 8:30pm

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Orland Park, IL

Appetizer Buffet & Open Bar
\$50 per Person with Registration

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**MEMBER
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Taylor Blagrove
Edwards Realty

**BUSINESS
OF THE YEAR**

**Kerry
Funeral Home**

CHAMBER AWARDS

**AMBASSADOR
OF THE YEAR**

Lou Pinto
Edward Jones

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OF THE YEAR**

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Homewood Suites by Hilton

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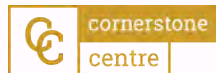
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PROVIDENCE
Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center

NEW YEAR, NEW LAWS

Presented by
The OPACC
Legislative Committee



Monthly Membership Meeting & Legislative Update

Wednesday, January 23, 7:45 to 9am

The Bridge Teen Center

15555 71st Court * Orland Park



Register at www.orlandparkchamber.org or call 708-349-2972

We're Growing... Welcome New Members

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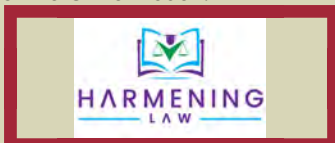
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If you are interested in contributing to the *Chambergram*, please contact Bonnie Hollaway at bonnie@orlandparkchamber.org

Do You Have A High School Senior Graduating in 2019?



The Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce will award three \$1000 educational scholarships to high school seniors whose parents are either the owner of or employed by a current Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce member business in good standing.

High school seniors who are employed by a current OPACC member business in good standing are also eligible to apply.

The member's dues must be current and verified by the Executive Director.

Applications & documentation must be returned to

the Orland Park Area Chamber or
emailed to fcortez@orlandparkchamber.org
on or before Friday, March 1.



Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce \$1000 College Scholarship Application - 2019

The Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce will award three \$1000 scholarships to high school seniors whose parents are either the owner of, or employed by, a current OPACC member business in good standing. High school seniors who are employed by a current OPACC member business in good standing are also eligible to apply. Fillable PDF applications and documentation must be returned to the Chamber office or emailed to info@orlandparkchamber.org on or before **Friday, March 1, 2019**.

1) Applicant Name _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2) Home Address _____
(Number and Street, Apt. #)

(City, State, Zip Code)

3) Telephone Number _____

4) High School _____

5) Anticipated Graduation Date _____ Cumulative G.P.A. _____

6) Parent or Student Employer _____

7) In chronological order, list your high school extracurricular activities and organizations.
Include elective offices held and other awards and honors received.

8) List and describe clubs, activities, service organizations, and/or civic groups with which you
have participated outside of school.

- 9) List and describe all part-time or full-time employment positions held.

- 10) Have you volunteered at the Chamber office or Chamber event? Please list your Chamber-related volunteer history. _____

- 11) Where do you plan to continue your education?

- 12) Personal Narrative: Please attach a separate essay which describes your desire to pursue post high school education/training. What are your college plans or intended major? What, or whom, influenced your choice? Tell us how you plan to finance your education and whether or not you have received notification of other scholarships, grants or financial aid. What are your personal interests, hobbies or talents?

- 13) Teacher Recommendation: Along with this application, please submit a recommendation letter from a current or former teacher. This letter should describe your character, academic or leadership accomplishments as a student in their classroom.

- 14) Other Recommendation: Also submit a recommendation letter from one other adult leader (may also be a teacher) who has supervised you as an employee or volunteer. This letter should comment upon your character, maturity and work ethic.

Applicant Certification

I hereby certify that I have read and understand all the qualification criteria for the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship, that I am an eligible applicant under each of the listed criteria, and that all of the information given on this form is true and correct to be the best of my knowledge. I further certify that if I receive a scholarship award it will go towards the cost of my education and for no other purpose.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date Submitted: _____

Counselor Certification

I certify that the above named applicant's class rank, GPA and anticipated graduation date are accurately reported.

Counselor's Signature: _____

Date Submitted: _____

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OPACC Happenings

WGN9 Chicago's Best filmed their BEST COOKIE Episode at our very own Orland Park Bakery, located at 14850 S. LaGrange Road in Orland Park, on Thursday, November 8.

The bakery is known for their ooey, gooey chocolate chip cookies made from their original recipe dating back to 1969.

Dan Major, pictured second from left, was interviewed by Chicago's Best Elliott Bambrough, pictured third from left.



Our November 28 Monthly Membership Meeting was held at Andy Varga Insurance, American Family Insurance located at 10759 W. 159th Street, Suite 200, in Orland Park.

Ruth Colby, President and CEO of Silver Cross Hospital, was our guest speaker.

She presented an update on Silver Cross and their expansion.

Chamber President Renee Crews presented membership plaques to Ruth, pictured on the left, and also Barbara Brower, Affordable Dentures & Implants, pictured on the right.

Make the most of your Chamber Membership by networking at a Monthly Membership Meeting.

OPACC Happenings



Mike Hardek, OPACC President Elect, and Board Member, Meghan Preston, chatted with Santa and verified they were on the NICE list during the Multi-Chamber Holiday Business After Hours.

Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce President Elect, Mike Hardek, is all smiles as the happy recipient of the Bobby Hull Blackhawk jersey raffled off at the event.



Multi-Chamber HOLIDAY Business After Hours

Sports Cards and More, Burger 21 and Nothing Bundt Cakes sponsored the Multi-Chamber Holiday Business After Hours on December 13 at the Orland Park Civic Center, located at 14750 S. Ravinia Avenue in Orland Park.

OPACC Happenings



Board Holiday Breakfast

On December 12, the Chamber's Officers, Directors and staff gathered together to celebrate the season at their annual Holiday Breakfast held at Cacao Café located at 9111 W. 151st Street in Orland Park.

Ambassador Holiday Breakfast

The Chamber's Ambassadors celebrated at their annual Holiday Breakfast held at the Chamber office on December 5.

Roy Crews, of Metamorphosis, was presented his Ambassador ribbon by the committee's co-chairs, Denis Ryan, Denis Ryan Insurance & Financial Services, and Janelle Witry, Orland Park Bank & Trust.



Orland Township Donation

Executive Director, Felicitas Cortez, delivered the toys, food and monetary donations collected at the annual Holiday party on December 5, to the Orland Township Food Pantry.

Township employees Gianna O'Malley and John Rudniski, joined Robin Kassis, Food Pantry Director, in accepting the generous Chamber member donations!

OPACC Businesses



Oxygen Laser Med Spa owners, Taghreed Rammaha and Mohammad Abughoush celebrated their newest location at 14360 S. LaGrange Road in Orland Park with a ribbon cutting on November 7. Orland Park Village President Keith Pekau, Trustees Patricia Gira and Kathleen Fenton and OPACC Board Member Joyce Bibeau joined staff, family and friends in welcoming this new business. Beautiful skin begins with Oxygen Laser Med Spa!

The Grand Opening of Konquer Dance, located at 8600 W. 159th Street, Suites 11 & 12 in Orland Park, was celebrated on November 10. Konquer Dance owner, Melissa Kopel, was joined by her daughter and Artistic Director, Kailey Kopel, Orland Park Village President Keith Pekau, Trustee Jim Dodge, OPACC President Renee Crews, Board Member Vivette Payne, numerous Chamber members and Konquer Dance students as she cut the ceremonial ribbon. You make me feel like dancing!



OPACC Businesses

Genesis Smith, owner of Luxurious Lathers, was joined by her mother, Tijuana Smith, Orland Park Village President Keith Pekau,, OPACC President Renee Crews, OPACC Executive Director Felicitas Cortez, OPACC Membership Coordinator Keloryn Putnam and several Chamber members at the November 10th ribbon cutting.

Located at 288 Orland Square, Upper Level in the Orland Square Mall, Luxurious Lathers is a boutique style provider of handmade soaps and skincare essentials.



Mike Hall, Hospital Manager of Premier Veterinary Group was welcomed to the community at their ribbon cutting held on November 14. Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce President Renee Crews was joined by Orland Park Village President Keith Pekau, Trustee Patricia Gira, OPACC Board Member Panorea Bakuitis and several Chamber members at the event. Premier Veterinary Group is located at 7000 W. 159th Street in Orland Park.

OPACC Businesses

Melissa Judah and Jeanine Graham, managing partners of JEM MedSpa, were welcomed to the community by Orland Chamber President Elect, Michael Hardek, and Village Trustee Jim Dodge at their November 14 Ribbon Cutting.

JEM MedSpa employees were joined by Chamber Executive Director, Felicitas Cortez, Board Member Panorea Bakutis and several other Chamber members for the ceremonial cutting of the ribbon.

JEM MedSpa is located at 11219 W. 159th Street in Orland Park.



RIBBON CUTTING *Ceremony*

Showcase your Business if you:

- Opened a business in past 12 months
- Changed ownership/management
- Changed location or opened an additional location
- Remodeled or expanded present location

The Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce will provide:

- Guidance & Suggestions
- Promotion of Event
- Ceremonial Scissors & Ribbon
- Chamber Ambassador
- Photographer
- Ribbon Cutting Certificate
- Social Media Post of Event Photos

Contact the Chamber office 708-349-2972
at least one month prior to your desired date

Young Professionals



Young Pros at Bucca di Beppo



Young Pros at Dave & Buster's



On November 14, OPACC's Young Professionals networked at Buca di Beppo located at 15350 S. 94th Avenue in Orland Park. Nothing's better than good food, good friends and good times! Thanks to April Koerber, Marketing Director at Buca, for hosting.



The Young Professionals held their annual Holiday Bash on December 12 at Dave & Busters located at 49 Orland Square Drive in Orland Park. Thanks to Seth Bullers, Senior Manager at Dave & Buster's, for welcoming us with delicious appetizers and unlimited game play.



SAVE the DATE

Orland Women's Networking Luncheon

Thursday, April 25, 2019
Chicago Gaelic Park, Inc
6119 W.147th Street
Oak Forest, IL 60452

Guest Speaker - Kendall Coyne Schofield

Palos Heights native who helped lead Team USA to a
women's hockey gold medal at the Winter Games in South Korea

Resource Corner

New Year, New You: 8 Tips to a Healthier You

Submitted by: Miriam McParland, Integrated Health Solutions

Happy New Year. Did you set a New Year's Resolution of losing weight and getting healthier?

Every year millions of people set out to achieve better health and lose weight. Some people are successful while others fall short. This is one of the biggest challenges we face yearly as we set out with the right intention. But we sabotage ourselves by cheating—"just one won't hurt"—turns into 2, 3, 4—I think you get the point. It is important to understand why we have difficulty sticking to a healthier diet or lifestyle plan.

In order to lose weight healthfully and keep it off we need to know and learn how to eat properly. Weight loss is 80% diet and 20% exercise. Starving yourself won't work and all calories are not created equal. There are more diets and low-fat foods than ever before, and obesity is still on the rise. Some projections say that over 40% of Americans will be obese by 2030. In 1960 Americans spent 18% of income on food and 6% on healthcare. Today we spend about 9.9% of our income on food and 16% on healthcare. 50% of all bankruptcies are caused by medical bills. The average family today spends 27 minutes a day preparing its meals and 4 minutes on clean up. This is the first time in recorded history that overweight people are mineral deficient. We are eating way too much processed food and it's destroying our health.

We need 60 minerals, 16 vitamins, 12 essential amino acids and 3 fatty acids regularly to allow our body to recreate itself.

We are made up of trillions of cells and lose millions of cells daily that need to be replaced. That replacement requires the above-mentioned nutrients. Without these nutrients we are unable to sustain health thus disease will occur. Without these nutrients every 100 days your heart is getting weaker, or

your skin, or another organ in your body. Be careful of omega 3 and omega 6 and 9 ratios. Today's foods are processed and depleted of those nutrients, so our bodies are not receiving their required amounts and are always in a starvation mode thus cravings occur. Just because you are eating does not mean your body is receiving the proper nutrients. For example, there is a difference between eating chicken and vegetables and a cheese burger with lettuce, onion and tomato. One contains the requirement and the other does not.

That's why I have included 8 simple tips for you to achieve your desired goals. Remember whenever working towards a goal that consistency and habit are key. So, let's make 2019 the year you and your family lead a healthier lifestyle:

1. Increase the amount of vegetables eaten at each meal.
2. Eat lean protein with every meal in the forms of turkey, chicken, fish, steak or eggs.
3. Include a healthy fat source with all your meals—avocado, olive oil, coconut oil, almonds and brazil nuts
4. Exercise daily or do some form of activity you enjoy—basketball, aerobics, weight lift, HIIT, fast walking.
5. Drink ½ your body weight in ounces of water.
6. Meditate and do yoga
7. Sleep 7-8 hours per night
8. Cut out sugars, soy, corn, dairy and gluten.

I recommend that if you are taking any prescription drugs or have health concerns that you seek a qualified health care professional before starting any exercise or lifestyle change.

"SPOTLIGHT Your Business" Schedule Your 2019 Dedicated MEMBER of the WEEK Email NOW only \$75.00

- The MEMBER of the WEEK email is sent on Wednesdays to over 1800 emails and features only the business that has reserved that specific week
- Use this email to introduce yourself and your business to fellow Chamber members, invite them to an event or seminar you are hosting or include a coupon or special offer
- Call the Chamber office at 708-349-2972 to reserve your spot
- Email your content along with photos, logos, graphics or flyer to michele@orlandparkchamber.org

Around Town

TOWNSHIP TIDBITS

Submitted by Paul O'Grady, Orland Township Supervisor



Township Holiday Program

I want to thank all the generous Chamber

members who donated to the Township's holiday program! Your kindness helped us spread holiday cheer throughout the Township by enabling us to provide holiday meal ingredients and gifts to nearly 200 families who are currently experiencing financial difficulties. We rely on the kindness and generosity of our community partners and residents to make this and many other programs successful, so again, thank you for sharing your holiday spirit with others!

Souper Bowl Challenge

Now that the holidays are over, Orland Township is preparing for the Souper Bowl Challenge! Kick-off Super Bowl weekend with us and our soup cook-off. With more than 20 soups to sample, celebrity judges and a "half-time" show by local cheerleaders, our inaugural challenge last year was a fun and filling day! The 2nd Annual Souper Bowl Challenge will be on Saturday, February 2, from 2 p.m. – 5 p.m. at the Township office, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. We have four quarters (categories) of competition, so whether you decide to participate as an individual, entering with your family's secret soup recipe, or showcase your

restaurant's specialty soup, we have a spot for you. Don't cook? Join us for all the sampling! There are also sponsorship opportunities available to promote your business during the event, which was attended by over 200 residents last year. For more information visit the Township website, orlandtownship.org, or contact Lindsay Trost at (708) 403-4222 or by email LindsayT@orlandtownship.org.

Spring Job Fair

We are in the planning stages for our Spring Job Fair. With more than 150 job seekers attending, it is a great opportunity for area companies to meet and

recruit potential new employees. The job fair is free, but space is limited so reserve your table early. More information will be available in the next Chambergram; however, if you have any questions or want to reserve your space early, please contact Alexis O'Farrell by email at AlexisO@orlandtownship.org or Lindsay Trost at LindsayT@orlandtownship.org.

On behalf of the staff at Orland Township, I want to wish all Chamber members a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!

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March - April 2019 Issue - Deadline February 15

May - June 2019 Issue - Deadline April 15

July - Aug 2019 Issue - Deadline June 14

Sept - Oct 2019 Issue - Deadline August 16

Nov-Dec 2019 Issue - Deadline October 18

Email your flyer to michele@orlandparkchamber.org

Upcoming Programs & Events

JANUARY 2019

Young Professionals Meet-Up

Wednesday, January 9 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Bonefish Grill

15537 S. LaGrange Road, OP

Integrated Health Solutions Ribbon Cutting

Tuesday, January 15 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Integrated Health Solutions

10751 W. 165th Street, Unit 100, OP

Ribbon Cutting 5:15 PM

Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 16 8:00 am - 9:00 am

Orland School District 135 - The Learning Center

15100 S. 94th Avenue, OP

OWN Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 17 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Chamber Office

8799 W. 151st Street, OP

Marketing Committee Meeting

Tuesday, January 22 8:00 am - 9:00 am

Chamber Office

8799 W. 151st Street, OP

Monthly Membership Meeting

Legislative Update

Wednesday, January 23 7:45 am - 9:00 am

The Bridge Teen Center

15555 S. 71st Court, OP

Member Awards & Board Installation Gala

Tuesday, January 29 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Girl in the Park

11265 W. 159th Street, OP

\$50 per person, Buffet & Open Bar

RSVP Required

FEBRUARY 2019

Ambassador Club Meeting

Wednesday, February 6 8:15 am - 9:15 am

Chamber Office

8799 W. 151st Street, OP

Young Professionals Meet-Up

Wednesday, February 13 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

TBD

Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 20 8:00 am - 9:00 am

Orland School District 135 - Board Room

15100 S. 94th Avenue, OP

Marketing Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 26 8:00 am - 9:00 am

Chamber Office

8799 W. 151st Street, OP

Monthly Membership Meeting

Wednesday, February 27 7:45 am - 9:00 am

Orland Park Police Department - Training Room

15100 S. Ravinia Avenue, OP