

Chambergram rland Park Area March/April 2019



2019 Officers & Board of Directors



Members of the Year Taylor Blagrave & Adam Czerwinski



Business of the Year Kerry Funeral Home

Member Awards & Board Installation

The Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce celebrated its Annual Member Awards & Board Installation Gala on Tuesday, January 29 at Girl in the Park. Michael Hardek, First Secure Bank & Trust, was installed as President, Ray Klosowski, Mueller & Co., LLP, as President-Elect, Joyce Bibeau, Kerry Funeral Home, as Vice President, Panorea Bakutis as Treasurer and Meghan Preston, Rathbun, Cservenyak & Kozol, LLC, as Secretary.



Outstanding Young Professional Kathleen O'Keefe



Ambassador of the Year Lou Pinto

Take Note

President's Message



Dear Chamber Members,

It is with great pride that I have this opportunity, my first, to address you as President of the Orland Park Area

Chamber of Commerce. You may not be aware of this but rising to the rank of President is a long process. It requires service on the committee levels, a commitment to the Board of Directors, and holding all the Officer positions on the Executive Board. Understanding that commitment, I want to take a moment to thank all Past-Presidents for their dedication and congratulate Renee Crews on a job well done.

The year got off to a chilly start. I take that back, it was absolutely freezing at Installation and Member Awards. You made it work! We had a very good turnout and awarded well deserved recognition to - Members of the Year: Taylor Blagrave-Edwards Realty Company and Adam Czerwinski -Sidebar Insurance, Business of

the Year: Kerry Funeral Home, Ambassador of the Year: Lou Pinto-Edward Jones and Young Professional of the Year: Kathleen O'Keefe-Homewood Suites by Hilton - for their outstanding contributions in 2018. We also welcomed four new Board of Directors for 2019 April Koerber-Buca di Beppo, Kathleen O'Keefe- Homewood Suites by Hilton, Monika Sestakauskaite-Republic Bank of Chicago and Kyle Treglown-RE/MAX 10. Our award winners, new Board Members, and your current Board represent the Leadership of the Chamber. I encourage you to send them a note, grab some coffee, and get to know them. I know they would all welcome a meeting.

This year my goal is to support you, your business, and the business community in general by making sure we are as visible as possible, continue to create and expand on the value OPACC provides, and create an environment where we can share in each other's success. The Chamber will always be a support system for your business, a place to advertise and market yourself, and a

place to make valuable connections in the community. I believe if we support each other's businesses, look for ways to become more involved, and build "center of influence" type of relationships, we will only strengthen our position at the strongest voice for business in Orland Park.

I encourage you to check out a committee you have never been to, setup a meeting with a Chamber member you haven't spent time with or go to an event you haven't been to before. Those meetings will become habits and those habits will build upon your personal network. We have many events happening soon and these can always be found on the Chamber website. The March Madness event will be here before we know it on March 28, and the Orland Women's Networking Luncheon, featuring keynote speaker Kendall Coyne Schofield, is on April 25. I hope to see you there!

Michael Hardek OPACC President First Secure Bank & Trust

2019 OPACC LeadershipTeam

Executive Director Felicitas Cortez

Executive Board

Michael Hardek
President
First Secure Bank & Trust

Ray Klosowski President Elect Mueller & Co., LLP

Joyce Bibeau Vice President *Kerry Funeral Home*

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Kathleen O'Keefe Homewood Suites by Hilton

> **Vivette Payne** Avery Payne Group

Monika Sestakauskaite Republic Bank of Chicago

Kyle Treglown *ReMax 10*

Village President's News & Notes



The Orland Park Police Department, the Orland Fire Protection District, the South Suburban Emergency Response

Team, the South Suburban Major Crimes Task Force and the other first responders followed protocol to keep the mall patrons and the rest of the community safe following the January 21 incident at Orland Square.

We congratulate the police on the apprehension of the suspect. And, we thank Orland Square Mall, their security staff and the stores in the mall for their cooperation, communication and for following protocol during the incident.

As angry as we all are, this was an isolated incident and statistically, Orland Square is the safest shopping center in the Chicago area. Neither

Orland Square nor the Village of Orland Park could have prevented this tragedy.

The best prevention of future incidents is the quick arrest. This is the strongest message that we can send to anyone considering committing a violent act in Orland Park. After a 17% drop in crime in 2017, crime dropped another 8% in 2018. Orland Park's crime rate is the lowest since the early 1990s.

AMC and Von Maur remain committed to Orland Square. Von Maur is expected to open in November, 2019 with AMC opening late summer, 2020. Texas de Brazil, a Brazilian steakhouse, is slated to open in the next quarter. And, Simon has submitted plans for green space in the back of the mall, a significant investment that will improve the mall's aesthetics.

Thank you to everyone who attended the village's February 11 Vision Meeting for Downtown Orland Park. Progress continues with the hiring of Chicago based Structured Development.

Upcoming development highlights include the 71 acre Orland Ridge at 171st and LaGrange Road being developed with a hotel and residential. And, Hampton Inn & Suites is going in at 163rd and LaGrange Road behind Rock Bottom.

Hobby Lobby will open at Orland Park Place in the spring. Also, the vacant Bar Louie location on LaGrange Road will soon house a restaurant serving breakfast and lunch. We are also very pleased to report that the Chammps Restaurant and Toys R Us buildings have both been sold.

I look forward to continue to work with the business community to provide a business friendly environment that fosters success. As always, if you need any assistance from the village or the Mayor's Office, please reach out. Thank you

Keith Pekau Village President Village of Orland Park

We Appreciate our PREMIER MEMBERS

















New Board Member Intros



April Koerber Buca di Beppo

April Koerber is the Catering and Sales Manager for Buca Di Beppo in Orland Park. Her expertise includes event planning, catering specialist and hosting benefits for charitable events. Her passion is to gather people together to celebrate for any reason and create the perfect event as if it were her own. April has also worked at Gizmos Fun Factory and Dave and Busters in Orland Park throwing large events for St. Judes, Mooseheart, and Wounded Warriors to name a few. She has won the outstanding Platinum award three years in a row at Dave and Busters for her event growth and successes.

April is always donating her time to Orland Park community events. She donated five years of her time to the Orland Park Pioneers as a cheer coach and won 1st place championships three times. She is a resident of Orland Park for 13 years with her husband Brian and her two children. Trentino who has graduated from Illinois Broadcasting School and Gianna who is a senior at Carl Sandburg and is studying architecture and design at University of Kansas in the Fall.

As an active member of the Orland Chamber of Commerce for eight years, she has won the Orland Park Member of the Year award in 2016 and is on the committees for Arts and Drafts and Orland Woman's Networking. In April's free time she enjoys spending as much time as she can with her family.



Kathleen O'Keefe Homewood Suites by Hilton

Kathleen O'Keefe is the Director of Sales at the Homewood Suites by Hilton Orland Park. Homewood Suites is an extended stay brand hotel offering amenities such as complimentary hot breakfast buffet, full kitchenettes in every suite, and laundry services on site. It is a home away from home for every guest who walks in the door! Kathleen graduated from Indiana University in spring of 2016 with a bachelor's degree in Communications and Media. She began her career in hospitality as a front desk agent and as worked her way up through the sales department to become the Director. She has been a member of the Orland Park Chamber of Commerce for the past two years and has enjoyed her time attending networking events, membership meetings, and volunteering at Arts & Drafts! She is now the chair of the Young Professionals group promoting strategic relationships and connections throughout the community. As a new board member for 2019, Kathleen is looking to bring a millennial perspective to the board and provide new innovative ideas for the chamber.

New Board Member Intros



Monika Sestakauskaite Republic Bank of Chicago

Monika Sestakauskaite is the AVP Branch Sales Manager at Republic Bank located at 15790 S. Harlem Avenue in Orland Park. Republic Bank is a family owned local bank that has been serving our local communities for more than 54 years. Monika is focused on providing customers solutions for all their needs in a timely, thorough and professional manner.

Monika has worked in banking for more than 10 years. She received her degree in Public Relations and Advertising from DePaul University. Currently, Monika is enrolled in an MBA program at Robert Morris University.

As an active member of the Orland Park Chamber of Commerce, Monika is serving as a co-chair of the Orland Women's Networking Committee. She is also a member of the Professional Women of Chicago Club.



Kyle Treglown ReMax 10

Kyle Treglown is a local Realtor with RE/MAX 10. His focus is primarily in residential real estate sales throughout Cook, Will & Du Page County. Kyle is a very down-to-earth real estate broker known for his extensive market knowledge and his unmatched devotion to clients. Kyle's success is based heavily on positive referrals. He earns the respect of his clients by working tirelessly on their behalf and by always offering them candid & truthful advice. As a Realtor, his first priority is his clients' happiness. He strives to ensure that the home buying or selling process is fun, easy and stress-free.

Kyle has been involved with the Orland Park Chamber of Commerce for the last three years. During that time, he has helped the Young Professionals networking group continue to grow & increase their reach within the community. Kyle has worked on the Arts & Drafts committee since it debuted in 2017. Just recently, he was installed to the OPACC Board of Directors. He looks forward to increasing his role in the Chamber and giving back to the community he serves.



We're Growing... Welcome New Members

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New Member Introductions



Ascend Physical Therapy

As the owner of Ascend Physical Therapy in Orland Park, IL, Dr. Nuha Hasan is a leading physical therapist in the Southwest Suburban Chicago area who works with active adults to relieve pain and help them return to their lifestyle without the need for medications, injections, or surgery. Dr. Hasan has knowledge and expertise with movement dysfunction in active adults, women's health, dry needling, total motion release, and myofascial release.

Ascend PT takes therapy to a completely different level as Dr. Hasan specializes in treating individuals with conditions that have not responded to conventional physical therapy, through one on one, personalized therapy sessions - leading to less overall visits and a greater outcome. Nuha's aim is to achieve maximum results in minimal time throughout the entire plan of care, with the goal of relieving pain, reducing dysfunction, and improving overall quality of life, without expensive tests or treatments.

At Ascend PT, Dr. Hasan applies a comprehensive approach to care by integrating patient education, specialized hands on techniques, and collaborating with the patient and other healthcare providers to achieve the best health outcome.



Ballet 5:8 Ballet 5:8 School of the Arts

Ballet 5:8 has moved its nationally-recognized professional performing company and dance education center from its seven-year home in Frankfort to a newly remodeled 12,000 square foot building in Orland Park! The new location includes five state of the art studios that serve both Ballet 5:8's 13-member professional performing company - which was recently called the "suburbs' best kept dance secret" by See Chicago Dance Editor Lauren Warnecke and 200+ area students. The Ballet 5:8 professional company performs up to 40 times throughout Chicagoland, Illinois, the Midwest, and the nation each year. Ballet 5:8's education programs for all ages include hundreds of after-school classes in ballet and much more, adult dance and fitness classes, workshops for special needs dancers, and a range of intensives and conferences that attract students, choreographers and dance education leaders from across the country during the summer months. Learn about ongoing class enrollment, upcoming performances and more at ballet58.org and school.ballet58.org.



BALLET 5:8



Farmers Insurance Mike McKeown Agency

As your local Farmers® agent in Orland Park, IL, with over 25 years of experience with Farmers Insurance, I help customers like you identify the insurance coverage that best fits your needs. This process is straightforward and personalized to help make you smarter about insurance. I have the knowledge and experience to help you better understand your coverage options--whether that's auto, home, renters, business insurance, life and financial services. We can also service your insurance needs in Indiana, Wisconsin, and Michigan.

Give me a call at (708) 349-5066 and I'll be happy to answer any questions you might have.



New Member Introductions

Hobby Lobby

Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc., a privately held national retail chain of craft and home decor stores, is set to open a new store in Orland Park, Illinois at 1385 Orland Park Place, 151st Street and South LaGrange Road. Hobby Lobby currently has 36 locations in Illinois.

"The success of our stores in Illinois is a good indicator that Orland Park shoppers will be pleased with the quality, selection and value we offer in the craft and home decor market," stated Kelly Black, Director of Advertising. "New customers and customers already familiar with the Hobby Lobby shopping experience are eagerly anticipating this store opening."

Hobby Lobby has over 800 stores across the nation. Each store offers more than 70,000 crafting and home decor products including floral, fabric, needle art, custom framing, baskets, home accents, wearable art, arts and crafts, jewelry making, scrap booking and paper crafting supplies.

Store hours are Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Hobby Lobby stores are closed on Sunday.





Lukas Law Firm, Ltd.

Cheryl Lukas helps people and businesses with TAX & ACCOUNTING SERVICES, STARTING NEW BUSINESSES and ESTATE PLANNING. Tax services include tax planning to reduce the taxes that individuals and businesses must pay: preparation of income tax, employment tax and sales tax returns; compliance with laws regarding employees such as withholding, tax deposit requirements and calculation of payroll; and resolving conflicts with the IRS and state taxing authorities by resolving tax notices, obtaining payment plans or requesting offers in compromise. Accounting services include creation of financial statements in Quick Books so businesses and individuals can ensure the tax filings are accurate and to enable sound business decisions based on accurate financial information. Cheryl can also help people with a skill or ideas for a new business achieve their dream of becoming an entrepreneur.

Estate Plans can include a variety of documents that protect your loved ones, your life savings, and you in the event of an illness, a disability, or death. Estate Planning services include consultations about what each client needs and drafting of documents such as Living Trusts, Wills, Powers of Attorney for Property and Durable Powers of Attorney for Health Care.

Cheryl Lukas is a CPA and an Attorney. She has been helping people and businesses for over 30 years. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting from Loyola University, a Master's Degree in Taxation from DePaul University, and a Law Degree from the John Marshall Law School. Her education and experience can give individuals and businesses value in many different areas. Initial consultations are free. (708) 349-0900.



ITS Network, Marketing and Promo Services

My name is Angela McClurkin, MBA. My family and I have lived in Orland Park for over 30 years. I work as a Marketing and Promotional Advertising Specialist-assisting my Clients with finding, designing, personalizing and creating the Best Promotional products for their select Industry.

Our company is called In the Spirit Network-Marketing & Promotional Services (aka ITS Network), and we specialize in affordable, quality products that are personalized with custom designs, logo's, and slogans. We work with over 2,000 suppliers, and can customize everything from Apparel to Plaques. We work one on one with our Clients to make sure that we capture their unique vision/logo for their business.

We offer authentic products that are representative of trending incentives and campaigns. We look forward to bringing our creativity to the community.

With Us, it's Personal(ized)! Angela McClurkin



New Member Introductions



Mr. & Mr. Clean, LLC

Late nights at work preventing you from keeping your apartment tidy? Too busy taking the kids to school, practices, and play dates to vacuum the floors? We know life can be crazy and unpredictable, and when you're tired and overworked, the last thing anybody wants to do is clean their home. Whatever the reason you're looking for home cleaning help, MR & MR CLEAN has you covered.

Are you moving out of your apartment? Make sure you get your whole security deposit back and schedule a cleaning with some added extras. Or maybe you just signed a new lease and want someone to do a deep cleaning before you move in. Whether you're looking for a house cleaning, apartment cleaning, deep cleaning, move-in cleaning, move-out cleaning, or more - we can do it all.

Our company focuses on the quality of service that we provide by identifying and concentrating on our clients' needs to give them exactly what they ask and more. We have 15 years of experience in commercial and residential cleaning. Put your trust in us and we will quickly demonstrate how committed we are in providing you with our unique brand of service. You will not be disappointed by relying on our employees, equipment and experience. Our reliable service will be at your home/business ready to go at the time you specified. All of our cleaning products are Green Cleaning products and we have Cleaning products registered with the EPA available upon request.

We know you want the best price possible for cleaning while still having the confidence that you will receive exactly what you ask for with attention to detail. When you call us for service, we offer you just that and more.

FREE ESTIMATES – Select the day and time for your cleaning, tell us how big your house, apartment or business is, set up a cleaning plan and get an affordable and upfront pricing. 24 HR SERVICE AVAILABLE LICENSED-BONDED-INSURED WE OFFER SERVICES - DAILY, WEEKLY, BIWEEKLY, MONTHLY OR OCCASIONAL OUR EMPLOYEES ARE CAREFULLY TRAINED AND SUPERVISED

We offer: Complete Janitorial Service
Floor Maintenance High-Detail Cleaning
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Orangetheory Fitness - 0033 Orland Park

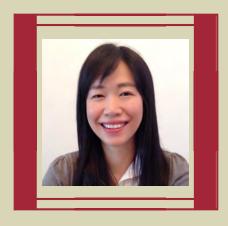
Orangetheory Fitness Orland Park has been a staple in the community since 2013 and we have helping people on their journey towards #MORELIFE ever since. We take pride in what we do here and look forward to continuing to grow with the city of Orland Park while we change lives in the process.

Orangetheory at its core is a science-backed, technology-tracked, coach-inspired group workout designed to produce results from the inside out. The hardest part of our workouts is showing up - we make it simple for you to push yourself, be your personal best and give you more. MORE results. MORE confidence. MORE Life. More than a gym. Because you shouldn't live to exercise. You should exercise to live.



T-Mobile

T-Mobile US Inc. is America's Un-carrier, we are redefining the way consumers and businesses buy wireless services. Our advanced nationwide 4G LTE network delivers wireless experiences to 75.6 million customers. T-Mobile has been servicing the community in Orland Park for over a decade. We are currently the fastest growing company in the wireless industry. We have earned numerous awards and accolades. J.D Power has named T-Mobile as the highest scoring wireless company in the U.S. Full-Service Wireless Customer Care. We are also a Fortune 100 that is focused on diversity and inclusion. If there is anything we can do to assist, please feel free to reach out, we specialize in business and personal accounts. T-Mobile US Inc. 15615 S. LaGrange Rd. Orland Park, IL 60462 708-873-0297 Retailstore8786@t-mobile.com



Webbed Feet, Inc.

I have been in the digital marketing, web design and SEO fields for more than five years now. One day my friend came to me and talked about how hard it was to find a quality agency to help improve his local business and how the quotes he received were higher that he could even afford.

I went through the quotes with him and crossed out so many extras that are not necessary for his business. The cost went down 25%. Then I asked myself, what I would charge for the same services? I think half the quote price is reasonable. Why don't I do it for my friend?

That was how I had the idea to start my own web design and digital marketing business - Webbed Feet Inc.

A website, local SEO... your digital presence is very important nowadays for your business to stand out from others and make money. Do you have enough of a budget to hire big firm in Chicago to help? If not, we can help! We offer similar quality with much better value. There are also a lot of do-it-yourself web services out there, like Wix, Weebly. But do you have time to figure them out? How do you know if you are doing it professionally? Can you make the site exactly the way you envision it? Probably not. But we will! We offer professional, attractive sites custom-made for your business, and offer effective SEO to get your website

Webbed Feet Inc, is a startup, but we are professional, we are local, we are really people! We are here to make your digital presence linked to your business for a reasonable price. That is our mission. Check out our website at webbedfeetpro.com.



Ambassadors







At the February 6 meeting of the Chamber's Ambassadors, committee chair Adam Czerwinski explained the new direction of the Ambassadors, not only as the "Face of the Chamber", but more importantly as the "Connection Catalysts of the Chamber". The committee members will reach out to current Chamber members by email, phone or one-on-one meetings to help them make business connections and to assure they are making the most of their Chamber membership.

Pictured above left: Ambassador Chair Adam Czerwinski with fellow Ambassador Chris Fisher. Pictured above center: Lou Pinto was presented the Ambassador of the Year award by Janelle Witry at the meeting since he was unable to attend the Member Awards and Board Installation on January 29.

SAVE THE DATE MARCH 15 Membership Orientation MAXIMIZE YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Join us at our next Membership Orientation Friday, March 15 Chamber Office, 8799 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, 9:30 - 10:30am

Executive Director Felicitas Cortez will present an overview of the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce - its history, structure and purpose.

Member Services Coordinator Bonnie Hollaway will present hands-on tips and tricks for navigating the Chamber's website and the Member Information Center.

Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce Presents

Orland Women's Metworking

Black & White Luncheon

Keynate Speaker - Kendall Cayne Schafield
Gold Medal recipient -- 2018 Team USA-Women's Hockey

Honoree - Gwendolyn J. Sterk Trailblazer in the Community

> Thursday, April 25, 2019 10:00am - 1:30pm Chicago Gaelic Park, Inc 6119 W.147th Street Oak Forest, IL 60452

TICKETS: \$45.00 pre-sale by 4/15/19 \$55.00 after 4/15/19 RESERVED TABLE of 10: \$400.00 - includes preferred seating at event & reserved sign with company name

EXHIBITOR/VENDOR: \$200.00 Member/ \$350.00 Non-Member For SPONSORSHIP Opportunities Call Chamber Office 708–349–2972 Registration REQUIRED by 4/22/19 – visit www.orlandparkchamber.org

You are encouraged to wear black & white attire to add to the atmosphere of our event

OWN Mission Statement Growing, Empowering, Uplifling



Orland Women's Metworking Luncheon Sponsorship Levels

- DIAMOND Level -- \$2000 (sold)
- Preferred logo placement on event marketing materials, signage, program and website
- Verbal recognition at the event
- Complimentary exhibitor/vendor space
- 30-second promotional commercial played during the event
- Preferred group seating at the event
- 4 social media posts highlighting your business as an event sponsor
- Inclusion in event Swag Bag-provide
 300 promotional items or coupons
- 4 complimentary luncheon tickets

- ONYX Level -- \$1000
- Logo placement on event marketing materials, signage, program and website
- 30-second promotional commercial placed during the event
- Preferred group seating at the event
- 3 social media post highlighting your business as an event sponsor
- Inclusion in event Swag Bag-provide
 300 promotional items or coupons
- 3 complimentary luncheon tickets

- PEARL Level -- \$750
- Business name included on event marketing materials, signage, program and website
- Preferred group seating at the event
- 2 social media posts highlighting your business as an event sponsor
- Inclusion in event Swag Bag-provide
 300 promotional items or coupons
- 2 complimentary luncheon tickets

- Exhibitor/Vendor\$200 member/\$350 non-member
- Business name will appear in program
- One skirted table for display, 2 chairs
- Supply raffle prize (\$30 min.) dropped off to Chamber Office by 4/12/19
- 1 social media post highlighting your business as exhibitor/vendor
- Inclusion in event Swag Bag-provide
 300 promotional items or coupons
- 1 complimentary luncheon ticket
- Electricity \$25 additional



Member Awards & Board Installation



Those who braved the POLAR VORTEX to attend this year's Member Awards & Board Installation Gala thoroughly enjoyed the warm atmosphere at Girl in the Park.

- 1 Executive Director Felicitas Cortez and 2018 President Renee Crews
- 2 2019 President Michael Hardek
- 3 OPACC Staff Michele Pierson, Felicitas Cortez, Keloryn Putnam and Bonnie Hollaway









- 4 Christopher Bell, Kurt Lindemann, Amelia Bodie and Kyle Treglown
- 5 2019 President Michael Hardek with his wife, Heidi and children Molly and Matthew
- 6 Newly retired Membership Coordinator, Keloryn Putnam



OPACC Happenings



Members of the Chamber's Legislative and Government Affairs Committee presented information on new legislation that will affect businesses in 2019 at our Monthly Membership Meeting held at The Bridge Teen Center located at 15555 S. 71st Court in Orland Park on January 23.



















The following new Chamber members in attendance at the January 23 Monthly Membership Meeting were presented their official Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce membership plaque by President Renee Crews:

Pictured left to right, Lauren Bowker - Ballet 5:8 and Ballet 5:8 Scool of the Arts, Anthony Chavez - Mr. & Mr. Clean, LLC, and Elise Harmening - Harmening Law LLC.

OPACC Happenings



Burger 21, located at 14650 S.
LaGrange Road in Orland Park,
celebrated their 3rd Anniversary
with a week long celebration from
January 21-27. Customers enjoyed
daily menu specials and door
prize drawings.
Pictured left to right:
Co-Owner Art Chmiel, Raymond
Martinez - FOH Manager and
Co-Owner Ed Karayanes.







Orland Township hosted their 2nd Annual Souper Bowl Challenge on Saturday, February 2. Nearly 300 people attended to sample and vote for their favorite soup. Several Chamber members participated and pictured above left to right are: OPACC President Renee Crews and Roy Crews defending her title from last year, Chuy's General Manager, Jose Salazar & Ana Flores, and Howard Robinson of State of Illinois 19th Legislative District, who placed 3rd in the Public Service Pro-Bowlers category.

Pictured below: Chamber member Linda Aceves, owner of Cacao Cafe, placed 1st in the Culinary MVP category, Chamber member Georgio's Banquets placed 2nd and Big Joe's Backyard B-B-Q placed 3rd.





OPACC Happenings





Our Member Orientation - Maximize Your Membership - was held on February 15 at the Chamber office. Executive Director, Felicitas Cortez, presented an overview of the Chamber - it's history, structure and purpose. Member Services Coordinator, Bonnie Hollaway, presented hands-on tips and tricks for navigating the Chamber's website and Member Information Center. Those in attendance learned how to do a business search, where to find hot deals and job postings on the website and how to email other members via the website. In addition, they learned how to verify their individual as well as company profile info, post job listings and hot deals in the Member Information Center and how to generate a PROUD MEMBER of the ORLAND PARK AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE badge for their company's website. Each attendee walked away knowing a bit more than they did when they walked in - MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!









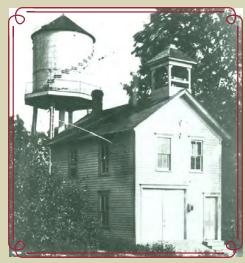


Orland Park Village President Keith Pekau and Jennifer Peterson, his Executive Assistant, presented an update on the 2019 Liquor Laws as they apply to all businesses at our Monthly Membership Meeting held on February 27 at the Orland Park Police Department, 15100 S. Ravinia Avenue in Orland Park.

In addition, Orland Park Chamber President Michael Hardek presented membership plaques to, pictures left to right above: Mike McKeown - Farmers Insurance - Mike McKeown Agency, Jassie Wang - Webbed Feet and Joseph Duea - Thrivent Financial - Prairie View Associates.

Orland Park History Museum





Museum's Slogan

Where Past is Present

Museum's Mission Statement

• The Orland Park History Museum aims to inspire a sense of community by offering engaging and educational exhibits and programs and by collecting and preserving artifacts that document the history of the Orland area and its relationship to local, state and national history.

Museum Memberships

• The Orland Park History Museum invites you to contribute to history by signing up for an individual or family membership! Your membership will support the Museum's exhibits, programs, and the preservation of artifacts. A membership also provides you with discounted prices on special events and programs and discounts on some items the Museum may sell from time to time. Memberships may be purchased online, at Sportsplex, Village Hall, or at the Museum. Individual memberships are \$10 and family memberships are \$20. They are valid for one year.

Volunteering at the Museum

• The Orland Park History Museum is always seeking passionate, energetic and eager individuals who can help with a variety of projects, programs and events. Internships for students are also available, especially for those interested in history or the museum field. Please contact the Curator for additional information.

New Exhibit, opening March 2nd from 11AM-3PM

- "Serving Our Community: A History of Orland's Fire District, Police Department, and Public Works"
- Exhibit will run from March 2nd to August 24th
- ONLY the exhibit opening is from 11-3. All other days people can view the exhibit will be during our normal operating hours

Upcoming Programs

- The Essential Great Chicago Fire, March 8th 6:30PM, \$10 members, \$15 non-members
- Behind-the-Scenes Tour of Public Works, March 23rd 1PM, free for members, \$5 non-members
- Brewing in Colonial America, April 24th 6:30PM, \$20 members, \$25 non-members

NEW at the Museum

- Meeting room rentals- Museum space can be rented for meetings and/or presentations for \$50 an hour (price includes use of space, stage and podium, WiFi and projector (if needed), tables and chairs, tablecloth (if needed), and access to kitchen and appliances
- Historic-themed birthday parties for kids- have your child's next birthday party at the museum! Different themes available to fit your child's interest and age. Each party (2 hours) includes crafts, games and time set aside for cake and opening presents.

Hours of Operation and Contact Information

- Tuesdays 12-4PM, Thursdays and Saturdays 9AM-1PM
- 14415 Beacon Avenue Orland Park, IL 60462
- Sarah Stasukewicz, sstasukewicz@orlandpark.org
- 708.873.1622

OPACC Businesses









Integrated Health Solutions, located at 10751 W. 165th Street, Unit 100 in Orland Park, celebrated their Ribbon Cutting on January 15. Dr. Miriam McParland had the honor of cutting the ceremonial ribbon as staff and numerous Chamber members looked on. Orland Park Village President Keith Pekau and Village Trustee Patricia Gira joined OPACC President Renee Crews and President-Elect Michael Hardek for the presentation of the official Chamber plaque and certificate.







On February 21, Ballet 5:8 and Ballet 5:8 School of the Arts, located at 11545 183rd Place, Suite 101, in Orland Park, celebrated their Ribbon Cutting.
Julianna Rubio Slager (holding the scissors), Ballet 5:8 Artistic Director, Resident Choreographer and Co-Founder, cut the ribbon as staff and numerous Chamber members looked on.

Pictured to the left are: OPACC President Michael Hardek, Lauren Bowker, Ballet 5:8 Managing Director, Julianna Rubio Slager, Amy Kozol Sanderson, Ballet 5:8 Executive Director and Co-Founder, holding Gwen, Village of Orland Park President Keith Pekau, Ballet 5:8 Board Members Eva JaBaay and Linda Jillson.



2019 Golf Outing

Thursday, June 20, 2019 Silver Lake Country Club

Are you an IRON man/woman?
Or maybe you prefer a
DRIVER, PUTTER, WOOD or WEDGE?
Join us for a great day of golf and networking
with local businesses and organizations.

Sponsorship & registration forms available at www.orlandparkchamber.org or call 708-349-2972



Young Professionals





Young Pros at Bonefish Grill





Young Pros at Rock Bottom Restaurant & Brewery



Nicholas Kapellas. managing partner at Bonefish Grill, welcomed OPACC's Young Pros on January 9.
Those in attendance enjoyed a delicious sampling of appetizers as well as the warm inviting atmosphere.
Bonefish Grill is located at 15337 S. LaGrange Road in Orland Park.





On February 13, the Young
Professionals checked out
Rock Bottom Restaurant &
Brewery located at 16156 S.
LaGrange Road in Orland Park.
Roberta Higgins graciously
welcomed us with open arms
and delicious appetizers.
Nothin' better than good friends,
good food & good fun!



Resource Corner

The 411 on LVP

Submitted by: Rob O'Connor, Floor Coverings International

What is Luxury Vinyl Plank (LVP) Flooring

LVP is a waterproof flooring system that is often installed in a system that hooks, snaps, or locks together. With the minimal maintenance and beautiful product options, LVP is now the preferred flooring with homeowners and businesses alike.

Advantages of Luxury Vinyl Plank (LVP) Flooring

Visual – LVP offers great warmth and texture with great visual appeal. It mimics that appearance of both hardwood and stone flooring without the maintenance.

Functional – LVP is also scuff, scratch and stain resistant making it the perfect product for busy families, homes with pets and even businesses with lots of foot and product traffic. LVP also has sound absorption and heat insulation properties. I saved the best for last; most LVP products are water-proof!

Maintenance – LVP is one of the lowest maintenance flooring products you can install. Simply, sweep with a broom, vacuum or mop as needed. No need to worry about deep surface scratches, bubbling or mold.

Disadvantages of Luxury Vinyl Plank (LVP) Flooring

Installation – A successful installation of LVP requires a knowledgeable installer to make sure that the subfloor is level and prepared properly.

Cost – LVP has a higher upfront cost due to the quality of the product. If you purchase your LVP from a trusted and reputable source, you will make up the upfront cost in no time. In the long run, you will be saving future expense, time and energy from maintaining other flooring types.

"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



Souper Bowl Challenge I want to thank everyone who came out for our 2nd

Annual Souper Bowl Challenge! The turnout was bigger and better than last year with nearly 300 people attending to sample and vote for their favorite soups. Congratulations to area newcomer Cacao Café on winning the Golden Ladle in the Culinary MVP category! To view photos from the 2nd Annual Souper Bowl Challenge, please visit my Facebook page, facebook.com/supervisoro

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http://orlandtownship.org/

winners, please visit our

website at

touchdown/.

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We have some upcoming events at the Township that chamber members may want to participate in to promote their organizations.

Spring Job Fair

Is your company looking for summer help? Have you recently expanded and are in need of new staff members? Let Orland Township assist you in your search for new employees! Join us for our Spring Job Fair and let potential new employees come to you. Orland Township's Spring lob Fair will be held on Tuesday, April 30, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Township office, 14807 S. Ravinia Avenue. There is no fee to participate, however space is limited. Please contact Alexis at (708) 403-4222 or by email

AlexisO@orland a

Submitted by Paul O'Grady, Orland Township Supervisor

township.org for more information and to reserve your table.

Senior Health Fair

Join Orland Township for our annual Senior Health Fair and let our seniors know what your organization has to offer. The Senior Health Fair will take place on Tuesday, May 7, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Township office. There are no fees to participate but space is limited. Please contact Nora at (708) 403-4222 or by email at NoraT@orlandtownship.org for more information and to reserve your table.

Older Americans Month Orland Township is proud to celebrate seniors during May, which is designated as Older Americans Month by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living. Whether your organization wants to sponsor one of our themed drop-in / bingo days, supply informational flyers on your services, or is interested in offering a free informational program, there are plenty of opportunities to do so. Please contact Marie at (708) 403-4222 or by email

MarieR@orlandtownship.or g for more information.

Orland Township is proud to offer fellow chamber members opportunities to connect with our residents, after all, we are your Township and we are working for you!

GO DIGITAL & REACH THOUSANDS! Include your event or special offer flyer in our online Chambergram!

Full Page (8 1/2 x 11) Flyer - \$200.00 per issue

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 bonnie@orlandparkchamber.org

Upcoming Programs & Events

MARCH 2019

Hobby Lobby Ribbon Cutting Monday, March 4 8:30 am - 9:30 am Hobby Lobby 1385 Orland Park Place, OP Ribbon Cutting at 8:45 am

Ambassador Club Meeting Wednesday, March 6 8:15 am - 9:15 am Chamber Office 8799 W. 151st Street, OP

Golf Committee MeetingWednesday, March 13 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm **Houlihan's Restaurant**16153 S. LaGrange Road, OP

Young Professionals Meet-Up Wednesday, March 13 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Houlihan's Restaurant 16153 S. LaGrange Road, OP

OWN Committee MeetingThursday, March 14 8:30 am - 9:30 am **Chamber Office**8799 W. 151st Street, OP

Edward Jones-Katie Cimonetti Ribbon Cutting
Thursday, March 14 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Edward Jones - Katie Cimonetti
9540 W. 144th Place, Suite 1A, OP
Parking is available in the back of the building
Ribbon Cutting at 5:30 pm

Maximize Your Membership Friday, March 15 9:30 am - 10:30 am Chamber Office 8799 W. 151st Street, OP

Board MeetingWednesday, March 20 8:00 am - 9:00 am **Orland School District 135 - Board Room**15100 S. 94th Avenue, OP

Marketing Commitee Meeting Tuesday, March 26 8:00 am - 9:00 am Chamber Office 8799 W. 151st Street, OP

March Membership Madness
Thursday, March 28 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Alley Grill & Tap House
18700 S. Old LaGrange Road, Mokena
Free to Members
\$10 for Guest/Potential Members

APRIL 2019

Ambassador Club Meeting Wednesday, April 3 8:15 am - 9:15 am Chamber Office 8799 W. 151st Street, OP

OWN Committee Meeting
Thursday, April 4 8:30 am - 9:30 am
Chamber Office
8799 W. 151st Street, OP

Young Professionals Meet-UpWednesday, April 10 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
TBD

Maximize Your Membership Friday, April 12 9:30 am - 10:30 am Chamber Office 8799 W. 151st Street, OP

Board MeetingWednesday, April 17 8:00 am - 9:00 am **Orland School District 135 - The Learning Center**15100 S. 94th Avenue, OP

OWN Committee Meeting
Thursday, April 18 8:30 am - 9:30 am
Chamber Office
8799 W. 151st Street, OP

Monthly Membership Meeting Wednesday, April 24 7:45 am - 9:00 am Orland Park Puplic Library 14921 S. Ravinia Avenue, OP

OWN Luncheon Thursday, April 25 10:00 am - 1:30 pm Chicago Gaelic Park 6119 W. 147th Street, Oak Forest

Marketing Committee Meeting Tuesday, April 30 8:00 am - 9:00 am Chamber Office 8799 W. 151st Street, OP