



TAKE NOTE



President's Message

Are you ready to tap into your leadership potential? If so, I encourage you to consider applying for a seat on the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

Why join the Board of Directors?

My answer is: why pass on the opportunity?

Since 1958 the Orland Park Chamber has been the voice of local businesses. Today, membership is nearly 500 businesses strong, comprised of 'mom & pop' to national corporations and every size business in between who turn to the Chamber for advocacy, information, education and networking.

At the helm of the organization are a volunteer group of leaders who are caretakers of the Chamber's mission: Being the primary resource to help businesses and the community grow and prosper. The Board, along with Chamber staff, also sets the tone and direction of the Chamber for the coming year including all initiatives, financial wellness, events and programs.

What do you get in return?

- Support initiatives that resonate with you
- Expand your network and raise your business profile
- Give back to your community
- Hone your leadership skills

Board nomination applications are now available on the Chamber website, orlandparkchamber.org.

Are you ready for the challenge?

Sincerely,
Ray Klosowski
Mueller CPA

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Mayor's Message

The past few months have been difficult for everyone in Orland Park including our business community. Mandatory closures, reduced operations and strict regulations on how to operate safely during a pandemic have created great strain on nearly all the businesses in Orland Park.

Despite these hardships, so many in our business community have shown true dedication to reducing the risk of COVID-19 spread. Thank you for everything you are doing to keep your employees and your customers healthy and safe.

The Village Board knows that loss of business and reduced ability to operate has created a great financial burden for you. As a way to help, at the June 15, 2020 Village Board meeting, the Village Board approved the Shop Orland Park program. This will be an ongoing program geared toward creating awareness and promoting the benefits of shopping in Orland Park. It also aims to highlight the Village's retailers and service providers.

The Village will soon kick off the program with a number of campaigns including the **Shop Orland Park Incentive Rebate Program** as well as the **Orland Park Autos - Vehicle Incentive Program**.

Under the terms of the **Shop Orland Park Incentive Rebate Program**, purchases from \$300-499 qualify for a \$10 Visa gift card, and purchases \$500 and more qualify for a \$30 Visa gift card. Under the program, anyone submitting receipts at any of the Orland Park retailers, restaurants or hotels during the July shopping period (July 6, 2020 through August 2, 2020) will be eligible for either a \$10 or \$30 Visa gift card.

In order to claim the Visa gift card, the shopper must submit sales receipts along with a completed Shop Orland Park Incentive rebate form. Purchases must be made at retail sales tax collecting establishments in the corporate limits of the Village of Orland Park. There is a limit of one gift card per person. The incentive program is open to both residents and non-residents and is based on a first-come-first-serve basis while supplies last.

Under the terms of the **Orland Park Autos - Vehicle Incentive Program**, anyone purchasing a new or used vehicle at a dealership in the Village between July 6, 2020 and August 2, 2020 will be eligible for up to a \$525 Shop Orland Park Visa gift card. The rebate would increase incrementally based on the vehicle price.

In order to receive the gift card, either the purchaser or the dealership would forward a completed application form along with a copy of the sales tax (ST-566) form to Village Hall. Following receipt, the Visa gift card will be mailed to the purchaser. The rebate will be in the form of the branded Shop Orland Park Visa gift card.

The Visa gift card programs will provide a significant two-phased public benefit to Orland Park. The first phase encourages shoppers to shop Orland Park. As the Visa gift cards would be available for use at stores within Orland Park, businesses again benefit when shoppers return to Orland Park establishments to utilize their Shop Orland Park gift cards.

Please check out our website at www.ShopOP.org for future promotional events, offers and other advertising opportunities.

The Village of Orland Park appreciates your business for continuing to make Orland Park a great place to live and work and we wish you continued prosperity.

Sincerely,
Keith Pekau
Village President, Village of Orland Park

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Orland Park, IL 60467
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Robert Gouwens
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rgouwens@homestatebank.com
Mortgage Products/Services

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Wood Fired Pizza**

Yahia Alzghier
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Orland Park, IL 60462
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Board of Directors' Application Form is available on the Chamber's website homepage, orlandparkchamber.org

New Member Introductions



Aflac - Rhonda Okleshen

Rhonda Okleshen recently started a business representing Aflac. She has been a resident of Orland Park for the last 28 years. Her specialty with Aflac is consulting with businesses in the administrative area to help them to become more profitable. A sample of the goals she works to achieve include working with businesses to:

- Attract and retain better personnel through cost-free expansion of benefit options
- Reducing the tax load businesses face annually
- Reducing the workload of HR departments, by providing cost-free Benefit Administration software and/or actual benefit enrollment services
- Provide businesses services to help reduce and mitigate claims against their health insurance via cost-free wellness incentives, and cost-free telemedicine options

Aflac was ranked #143 in 2019 on Fortune's listing of Fortune 500 companies, currently insuring over 50 million people worldwide. Aflac also recently achieved its 13th consecutive year of being ranked as one of the world's most ethical companies by Ethisphere, and as one of the world's most admired companies by Fortune magazine for the 18th consecutive year.

Rhonda has had a great deal of success in various careers including accounting, human resources, and management with a record for building synergy between finance and HR systems to support business objectives.

"I know from my years in accounting what a tremendous cost and challenge benefits can be for a business in today's world, and I wanted to align myself with a company that has the operating principles I could rely on while also having the unrelenting focus on assisting businesses with the challenges of benefits in today's world."



Caravel Autism Health

Caravel Autism Health's team of autism health professionals is dedicated to working with children with autism and related developmental disabilities and their families to develop skills, create connections and instill confidence. Our approach to ABA therapy is rooted in research and results. Our founders and therapists are committed to be the most passionate clinicians in the autism health field. At Caravel Autism Health, our mission is to change lives.

We provide the following services:

Diagnostic Evaluations

- We will determine if a child meets the criteria of Autism Spectrum Disorder and/or other diagnosis.
- We will provide families with information regarding ABA-based treatment for ASD if the child receives the diagnosis of ASD.
- If the child is not diagnosed with ASD, but has other delays/challenges, we will provide the family with community resources.

ABA Therapy

- Develop prerequisite skills for verbal and social interactions.
- Develop receptive and expressive language skills.
- Begin to use those skills with guidance from adults.
- Begin to use those skills with peers with less adult prompting.
- Develop social and abstract communication skills.
- Begin to enjoy social and verbal interaction.
- Begin to learn rules based on verbal interaction.
- Exhibit behaviors that are motivated by a desire to please others.
- Become ready for school-based learning.

Family and Individual Therapy-new

- We can provide 1:1 psychotherapy with children/teens/adults
- Provide family supportive services with parents or the entire family

Parents start here for more information: 844-583-5437



Home State Bank

Home State Bank is pleased to announce the opening of their Orland Park office. Home State Bank is a family owned bank that has been in the business for 100+ years serving the Chicagoland area.

When Robert Gouwens started in the mortgage business 23 years ago, he immediately loved how rewarding it was to help people with the home buying process and assisting them with refinancing their homes. Customers range from first time buyers, repeat customers or customers purchasing their forever home, he is able to help his customers meet their short and long-term goals. His goal is to build relationships with customers, so they become Clients for Life.

Home State Bank offers a wide variety of mortgage programs such as VA, FHA, Conventional, Jumbo and down payment assistance for first-time buyers, such as those offered by IHDA.

If you're thinking about refinancing, Robert can help you free up money in your budget by lowering your monthly payments or provide you a one-time cash payment during refinancing by tapping into your home's equity. Robert will be your guide throughout the entire process. He will help you choose the right loan option, lock in your refinance rate and walk you through what is needed to complete the loan application.

The Home State Advantage – A true Community Bank

- Local decision-making
- Local processing
- Lending in all 50 states
- Offering national scope within local community

Robert looks forward to serving you for your mortgage needs whether buying or refinancing. Feel free to give him a call to discuss your financial needs.
708.267.3169



Orland Park Area
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

2020 GOLF OUTING



GET YOUR DOSE OF IRON

Whether you are a scratch golfer or double digit handicapper, join us for a great day of golf and networking with local businesses and organizations.

SEPTEMBER 3, 2020
SILVER LAKE COUNTRY CLUB

TIME TO PAR - TEE



2020 GOLF OUTING

Thursday, September 3
Silver Lake Country Club



BALL DROP Sponsor - \$2,200 - 1 Available

- FOURSOME Included
- Company name/logo on signage
- 5 social media shout outs prior to event

GOLF CART Sponsor - \$1,500 - 1 Available

- FOURSOME Included
- Company name/logo on placard on all golf carts
- 4 social media shout outs prior to event

EYE OPENER COCKTAIL Sponsor - \$1,000

- Company name/logo on signage
- 3 social media shout outs prior to event

19TH HOLE COCKTAIL Sponsor - \$1,000

- Company name/logo on signage
- 3 social media shout outs prior to event

BEVERAGE CART Sponsor - \$1,160 - 2 Available

- FOURSOME Included
- Company name/logo on beverage cart
- 3 social media shout outs prior to event

OASIS Sponsor - \$860 - 2 Available

- FOURSOME Included
- Company name/logo on oasis signage
- 2 social media shout outs prior to event

STAFFED HOLE Sponsor - \$810 - 18 Available

- FOURSOME Included
- Company name on signage at the hole
- 1 table & 2 chairs provided
- up to 2 employees may staff hole
- giveaways encouraged - NO alcohol please
- FIRST COME - FIRST SERVED

STAFFED Hole Only - \$275

UNSTAFFED HOLE Sponsor - \$785

- FOURSOME Included
- Company name on signage at lunch site

UNSTAFFED HOLE Only - \$250

GOLF FOR ONE - \$140

FOURSOME - \$560

- Golf with Cart
- Breakfast Bundle
- Boxed Lunch
- Beverages on course
- Steak Dinner (Dine-In or To-Go)

DINNER - \$45

- Staffed Hole Personnel
- Guests

A portion of the event proceeds will help fund the Chamber Scholarship Program
For more information visit www.orlandparkchamber.org or call 708-349-2972

Member Spotlight



Orland Park Police Chief Timothy McCarthy Announces Retirement

Chief McCarthy was appointed Village of Orland Park's Chief of Police in 1994, after having served with great distinction as a Special Agent in the United States Secret Service

Orland Park, IL (July 1, 2020) – After 26 years of dedicated service to the Village of Orland Park as Chief of Police, Chief Timothy McCarthy has announced to Village officials his intention to retire. Chief McCarthy will retire effective August 1, 2020, allowing ample time for a transition period within the Police Department prior to his departure.

During his 48-year career in law enforcement, Chief McCarthy has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the NCAA Award of Valor, which he received in 1982 in recognition of the bravery he exhibited in saving former President Ronald Reagan in an assassination attempt on March 30, 1981. The first annual Chief of Police of the Year Award from the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police was received by McCarthy in 2016 in recognition of his leadership and service.

The Chief's efforts have focused on transforming Orland Park's Police Department into a 21st century model with an emphasis on transparency and robust community engagement efforts. Under the Chief's leadership, the Police Department has engaged in a more collaborative approach to village-wide initiatives such as addressing mental illness through the implementation of the department's nationally recognized Crisis Intervention Team focusing on response to mental health related incidents. In 2017, the Department was the first agency internationally to complete the International Association of Chiefs of Police's One Mind Campaign Pledge to enhance the interaction between law enforcement and those affected by mental illness.

Chief McCarthy's efforts also include lobbying on law enforcement issues, school safety and security, automating the Orland Park Police Department, the implementation of a numerous community policing initiatives and the use of NARCAN to help save those overdosing on heroin.

McCarthy and the Orland Park Police Department are actively involved with the Law Enforcement Torch Run and fundraising for Illinois Special Olympics. The Orland Park Police Department was the first municipal police agency to receive a certificate of authorization from the Federal Aviation Administration for the use of a drone.

Additionally, Chief McCarthy supervised the construction of the first LEED gold certified police station in the nation, worked to establish and lead the South Suburban Major Crimes Task Force, and also served for a time as the Village of Orland Park's Acting Village Manager.

"Chief McCarthy, a long-time Village resident, has faithfully and diligently served the Village as its Chief of Police," said Mayor Keith Pekau. "He has provided steadfast and dependable leadership to the men and women of the Orland Park Police Department throughout this entire period. I have appreciated and benefitted from his wise counsel since I've joined the Village as Mayor and remain thankful to have served the community alongside the Chief who has always been a consummate professional," said Pekau.

In May, 1994, Chief McCarthy was appointed as Chief of Police of the Orland Park Police Department. Prior to that, Chief McCarthy worked for the U.S. Secret Service. His career included eight years assigned to the Presidential Protective Division in Washington D.C. and 14 years as a criminal investigator in Chicago. On March 30, 1981, McCarthy distinguished himself while protecting President Ronald Reagan when he was shot in the line of duty during an assassination attempt. McCarthy recovered from serious injuries and returned to work. He was promoted to several supervisory positions in the U.S. Secret Service prior to retiring in October 1993 as the Special Agent in Charge of the Chicago Field Office.

Chief McCarthy graduated from Leo Catholic High School in the Auburn-Gresham neighborhood of Chicago, has a Bachelor of Science in Finance from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign as well as a Master of Science in Criminal/Social Justice from Lewis University.

"While he will be sorely missed by everyone," said Pekau, "I know he is looking forward to spending more time with his wife of 47 years, three children, and seven grandchildren while seeking new opportunities to continue to serve his community and his country."

Upon Chief McCarthy's retirement, Deputy Police Chief Joseph Mitchell will be appointed Interim Chief of Police.

Member Spotlight



Orland Park Chamber Board Member Adam Czewinski, **Sidebar Insurance Solutions, Inc.**, Chamber member Butch Zemar, **Elite Benefits of America**, and Amanda Brinkmann, Encompass Insurance, provided lunch from **McAlister's Deli** and dessert from **Nothing Bundt Cakes** to the nurses on the 6th floor Covid units at **Silver Cross Hospital** on June 30.

Thank you for generously supporting our local healthcare workers and our local businesses!



Around Town



TOWNSHIP TIDBITS

Orland Township held its fourth grocery distribution drive-thru to assist residents experiencing hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic on June 19. With the continued support, generosity and kindness of so many community members and groups, we were again able to hand out 500 boxes of non-perishable and fresh groceries, cases of water, meat, and paper towels. Huge thanks go out to Trustees John Lynch and Antonio Rubino; Beth McElroy-Kirkwood, Trustee, Moraine Valley Community College Trustee; Senator Bill Cunningham; Felicitas Cortez, Executive Director, Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce; Orland Park Lions Club; Parkview Christian Church; Patty Ridings and Darnise Lambert, Family Harvest Church; Cook County Sheriff's Police; Carl Sandburg High School football team and all our dedicated volunteers and Township staff members. We could not have done this without all of their help.

Just before the start of the June 19, distribution, I was honored to accept a generous donation of \$5,000 in grocery store gift cards from the Orland Park Lions Club. These cards will allow the residents who attended the grocery distribution to purchase additional grocery items for their families.

Orland Township's Summer Job Fair was held on June 23. Adhering to social distancing / mask wearing guidelines, we held the job fair in our parking lot and under tents. With enough room for 25 employers, we had a full house and hope that some of our many job seekers found gainful employment.



Now that the state has moved into phase 4 of Restore Illinois, we are in the process of making the appropriate adjustments to operations to reintroduce programs and services as allowed under the guidelines.

We held our first event, a drive-in concert for seniors on Friday, June 26 in the parking lot of Moraine Valley Community College's Southwest Education Center in Tinley Park. The Band Sundance performed to a packed lot of seniors enjoying their music and dining on food from Joey's Red Hots Food. Vehicles were spaced appropriately and guests were asked to maintain social distance and wear facemasks when necessary. Even with the social distance restrictions, it was a wonderful evening and it was great to see so many of our seniors that we have been missing. Orland Township was happy to be able to host this event and looks forward to doing more like it.

Have a great summer and continue to stay safe and well.

Sincerely,
Paul O'Grady
Orland Township Supervisor



Saturday, September 26, 2020
11:00am to 9:00pm
Orland Park Crossing
143rd & LaGrange Road, Orland Park



Orland Park Area
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
We're Growing Places

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SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Imperial Stout Level - \$3,500 - 1 Available

- Company name/logo will have premier position on entertainment main stage
- Company will receive one reserved booth spot at event
- Company name/logo will appear on event map
- Company will receive 5 social media shout outs prior to event
- 8 complimentary passes to the event--includes 1 glass with 10 drink tickets per pass

IPA Level - \$2,000 - 2 Available

- Company name/logo will appear on choice of Tasting Glass or Koozie
- Company name/logo will appear on event map
- Company will receive 4 social media shout outs prior to event
- 6 complimentary passes to the event--includes 1 glass with 10 drink tickets per pass

Malt Level - \$1,000 - 6 Available

- Company name/logo will appear on choice of Wristband, Volunteer T-shirts, Photo Wall
- Company name/logo will appear on event map
- Company will receive 3 social media shout outs prior to event
- 4 complimentary passes to the event--includes 1 glass with 10 drink tickets per pass

Lager Level - \$500 - 12 Available

- Company name/logo will appear on event map
- Company will receive 2 social media shout outs prior to event
- 2 complimentary passes to the event--includes 1 glass with 10 drink tickets per pass

Pale Ale Level - \$250 - Unlimited Available

- Company name/logo will appear on event map
- Company will receive 1 social media shout out prior to event

A portion of the event proceeds will help fund the Chamber Scholarship Program

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Sponsorship
Application
on other side



Saturday, September 26, 2020
11:00am to 9:00pm
Orland Park Crossing
143rd & LaGrange Road, Orland Park

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Sponsorship Application

Return completed application by September 1 to guarantee all benefits:

The Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce
8799 W 151st Street
Orland Park, IL 60462

Sponsor Information

Business Name: _____

Contact: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Sponsorship Level: _____

In the event Arts & Drafts is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, your sponsorship will be considered a donation to the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce.

Will you be taking advantage of all perks included in your sponsorship package? _____

No sponsorship package at this time, but we are willing to donate:

For more information visit www.orlandparkchamber.org or call 708-349-2972



OFFICES REOPENING GUIDELINES

1

Wear face coverings in presence of others



2

Maintain social distance of at least 6-ft.



3

Keep your desk free of personal items for easy cleaning



4

Limit to 50% of office occupancy



5

Disinfect workstations upon entering office & before leaving



6

If practical, use tele- and video-conferencing while at desk



JULY Programs & Events



JULY 4, 2020



JULY 16, 2020



JULY 8, 2020



JULY 21, 2020