



Continuing to Inform Our Members and the Community

On March 10, the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the Small Business Advocacy Council, held a Village of Orland Park Trustee Candidate Forum. One Orland Park Party Candidates - Amy Burrell, Chris Kasmer, and Derek Rinaldi - and People Over Politics Party Candidates - Sean Kampas, Joni Radaszewski and Brian Riordan - presented their platform, views on recovery from the pandemic, and plans for future economic development for the Village.



Chamber members and members of the community submitted questions ahead of the program and in real time during the town hall which was moderated by SBAC Founder and President Elliot Richardson.

Such programming is another example of how the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce continues to be a trusted resource of information, advocacy, and education for the business community.

Orland Park Trustee Candidate Townhall



TAKE NOTE



President's Message

It is exciting to see our nation opening more as the COVID cases are on the decline. More vaccines are being distributed and everyone is doing their part to control this pandemic. With this comes more in person events, ribbon cuttings and face to face networking opportunities.

In March, we partnered with the Small Business Advocacy Council and hosted our first ever trustee candidate townhall. This program provided vital information for our members and you can check out the YouTube video online.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our May membership meeting which will be an in-person event. Go to the chamber website for more information.

It comes with a heavy heart to say goodbye to Felicitas. She is moving on to a new job and I wish her all the best of luck in her new endeavors. Thank you Felicitas for all your hard work and dedication to making this chamber so amazing.

Joyce Bibeau

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2021 OPACC President
Kerry Funeral Home & Cremation Care Center

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Executive Director's Message

Dear Chamber friends,

It's with mixed emotions I announce my departure from the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce to pursue a new role with a regional non-profit organization. Working for the Chamber as its Executive Director for nearly five years, and as its Communications and Events Coordinator beforehand has been the honor of a lifetime.

I'd like to thank the OPACC Board of Directors, past and present, for your dedication of the Chamber's mission to grow and enhance the local business community.

I'm also grateful for the hard work and friendship of the superheroes of the Chamber office through the years—Michele Pierson, Keloryn Putnam, and especially Bonnie Hollaway. Our members are lucky to have you!

And finally, thank you to the OPACC members, many of whom I am fortunate to call friends. Orland Park is stronger because of your interest and investment in the community.

Stay local, shop local, support local.

Felicitas Cortez

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All the Best, Felicitas



Felicitas Cortez joined the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce as our Communications and Events Coordinator on October 19, 2014. Her verbal and written communication skills along with her welcoming personality and interest in our businesses and community, were a great foundation when she became our Executive Director in January 2017.

During her tenure as Executive Director, Felicitas has worked tirelessly for our members and community. Thinking of ways to promote and support our members as well as assisting them in forming partnerships was always foremost on her mind.

To say this past year was a most challenging one is an understatement; however, through it all, Felicitas went above and beyond to provide more information to our members through emails, webinars and townhall meetings - especially COVID-related subjects - and access to resources that became available through various programs to financially assist businesses.

Webinars and ZOOM Meetings with Senator Tammy Duckworth, Senator Michael Hastings and Manny Lopez, IL Department of Commerce and Economic Development, to name a few, provided not only valuable information to our members but also access to individuals in positions to advocate for small businesses.

In addition, instead of canceling our 2020 Community Expo, Felicitas pivoted and thought creatively outside-the-box which resulted in our first virtual four week long 2020 Community Expo - Holiday Edition.

She will be a tough act to follow and will be missed immensely!
It is bittersweet that we are now bidding her farewell and wishing her all the best as she continues her career in the non-profit world.

Thank you for your dedication and service to our Chamber, Felicitas.

On a personal note - I've been extremely fortunate to work with you during your years here at the Orland Park Chamber. Although I'm losing my Executive Director and boss, I've gained a lifelong colleague and friend! Wishing you every success as you continue on your path.

Go confidently in the direction of your dreams!

Executive Director



OPACC VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT:

The Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce is the premier business organization in the Orland Park area committed to helping businesses and the community grow and prosper.

POSITION:

Executive Director

Job Summary:

Ideally, the Executive Director of the OPACC will have a unique combination of personal and professional qualifications.

This includes, but not limited to:

- Familiarity with the unique challenges of running a nonprofit; someone who understands the dynamics of a chamber of commerce or similar membership-based organization and who is genuinely interested in working effectively in that realm.
- Executive style that can generate respect and support from a wide range of constituents including large and small businesses, nonprofits, community groups, elected leaders, and staff at the local, regional, and state level.
- Demonstrated interest in the community and businesses of Orland Park and the surrounding Villages.
- Ability to lead the development and implementation of the long-term action plans of the OPACC
- Motivational leader who can attract, retain, develop, and empower staff and volunteers.
- A great listener who can articulate the OPACC mission and vision to retain and attract new members.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills and presentation ability; comfortable with new and traditional media.
- Time management skills with a proven ability to prioritize responsibilities.
- Reliable, self-motivated, outgoing
- Strong networking and leadership skills and the ability to function well as part of a team
- Presents a professional image whenever representing OPACC

Essential Qualifications:

- College Degree preferred and five years+ work experience in a related field
- Reliable attendance with non-traditional hours, as needed (early morning, after hours, weekends)
- Able to work in a PC networked environment that uses Microsoft Office products: Word, Excel, and Outlook. Also experience with design programs – Canva and Publisher
- Experience with Quickbooks
- Previous experience with Chambermaster or similar CRM, is preferred
- Valid driver's license required

Please send resumes to the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce, 8799 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL 60462 or email to info@orlandparkchamber.org.

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OPACC Signature Events

Golf Outing

May 13, 2021
Silver Lake Country Club



OWN Luncheon

TBA

Arts & Crafts

September 25, 2021
Orland Park Crossing



Community Expo

TBA

JUST A REMINDER...

Please be aware that the Chamber utilizes various software to send our emails to our members. Our weekly email blasts and membership invoices are sent as mass email communications; therefore, please check your SPAM or BULK folder periodically so they will not be inadvertently overlooked.

New Member Introductions



Impact Community and College Resource Network

Impact is a community-based organization designed to help students prepare for and connect with college. Over the past six years, Impact has slowly gained the respect of parents and local high school educators. To date the organization has provided college readiness information to thousands of local students. At the suggestion of a superintendent, the high school program was made a district initiative. The initiative is intended to serve high schools in particular school districts and assist 5,000 junior level students each academic school year. This is accomplished through three programs:

College and Career Readiness Program

5K District Initiative Program

Through this program Impact engages students in their junior year and the summer prior to their senior year of high school to help them navigate the college admissions process and enroll in a best fit college.

Foundations for Success Virtual Program

This six-part series covers: self esteem, work ethic, leadership, student success skills, financial literacy and college readiness. It is open to all high school and college students as they prepare to transition into college, an internship or the workplace. This program assist students as they build their leadership and self-advocacy skills.

Scholarship Program

Scholarship offerings, to current college students, are between \$500 and \$2,000 dollars. The application deadline is May 15th. Interested students with a 2.75 or higher GPA should submit a two-page essay on how they plan to give back to their community upon graduation. Local businesses support the scholarship program.

Annual College Readiness Summit

The College Summit is an annual event that features a college panel, step-by-step guide to the college application process, scholarship award ceremony and resource fair. Student and parent attendees gain connections to colleges and a solid plan for senior year.

Special thank you to Lexus of Orland and Bank Financial for their continued support. To learn more about how you can become involved please visit www.impactccrn.com or call 844.498.4264



Intelligent Leadership

A brief introduction: the company Intelligent Leadership Executive Coaching (ILEC) was founded by John Mattone in 2010. John Mattone is recognized as one of the world's top executive coaches, working with executives of over 53 countries. The ILEC team has used the ILEC coaching blueprint to transform the lives of nearly one million CEO's - including the late Steve Jobs - top government leaders, entrepreneurs, executives, and athletes and impacted the success of thousands of organizations from every corner of the globe.

The mantra of John Mattone is "GROWING LEADERS - BUILDING CULTURES - DRIVING RESULTS." Our unique coaching methodology provides a proven philosophy, system, and tools. ILEC coaches have significant senior executive experience and bring to their client engagements the prestigious International Coaching Federation (ICF) approved and accredited Master Intelligent Leadership Executive Coach Certification.

Here is my story: after four (4) decades in Corporate America, holding a variety of leadership positions, I also have a Master's degree in Psychology. That combination forms a basis and perspective in business. I am a Master Certified Leadership Executive Coach. I am honored to be an ILEC Executive Coach.

This is only a snapshot of the foundation of our road together. I am looking forward to being a special resource for you and for the members of the Orland Park Chamber of Commerce. Let's focus on the next phase of our journey...together.

Dennis Spoonhour - Master Certified Leadership Executive Coach



Novus Home Mortgage

Novus Home Mortgage is growing rapidly and setting a new standard for modern residential mortgage lending. Novus's name means 'new' in Latin, and that is our vision, offering an innovative brand that approaches the mortgage industry from a new perspective. Our unique platform allows our team to leverage the strength and stability of a bank with the entrepreneurial spirit of an independent mortgage banker.

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Novus Home Mortgage's strength is rooted in being part of a 100-year-old family-owned bank. We are headquartered in Waukesha, WI, and have grown nationwide to 30 branches in 14 states and anticipate continuing our growth - enabling us to offer customers a better and simpler mortgage loan experience.

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Around Town



TOWNSHIP TIDBITS

Together We Vaxed

Orland Township was proud to partner with Jewel Osco pharmacy to provide the COVID-19 vaccine to our senior residents. Seniors were called in the order in which they had previously signed up on the Township's website, orlandtownship.org, and their appointments were scheduled. The first group – more than 500 seniors – went to Andrew High School to receive their shots; the second group received their vaccines at the Township office. By mid-April, nearly 750 Township seniors will have received both COVID-19 shots.

We are grateful to Jewel Osco and their pharmacists for helping us get our seniors vaccinated and also to Andrew High School for their assistance and use of their facility to administer the first round of vaccines.

Grab & Go Meal Distributions

Due to the continued need in the community, Orland Township has held monthly meal distributions to assist residents financially affected by pandemic shutdowns. The 2021 distributions have featured prepared meals with cooking instructions, along with non-perishable pantry staples and grocery store gift cards. The "Grab & Go" meals were prepared at the Greater Chicago Food Depository's (GCFD) southwest side facility and are part of a pilot program to expand access to those in need of prepared meals, such as our seniors.

While the Food Pantry serves over 300 households every month, providing each with a bounty of healthy groceries, including fresh produce, dairy and meat, many also need assistance preparing meals. This program bridges that gap by providing prepared meals that are nutritional, easy to cook and may help residents come up with other meal ideas to prepare themselves. We are proud of our long-standing partnership with the GCFD which allows us to participate in this program and provide for our residents.

Senior Activities

Orland Township seniors enjoyed a plated, traditional corned beef meal, complete with soup, salad and dessert, at the Township's March luncheon. After lunch, they were treated to a show by local Irish singer Jerry Haughey, who entertained with a wide range of music from traditional Irish ballads to current hits that got some of the guests up and dancing.

Our seniors continue to enjoy bingo, luncheons and exercise classes at the Orland Chateau. This temporary location allows more residents to attend, with social distancing measures in place, than we would be able to accommodate in the Township's activity center. Due to the Cook County Clerk's Office utilizing the Township building for early voting, senior activities will continue to be held at the Orland Chateau through the end of April to avoid a disruption in the schedule. We thank the Orland Chateau for working with us to serve our seniors.

Stay safe and well!

Sincerely,
Paul O'Grady
Orland Township Supervisor



Orland Township Supervisor Paul O'Grady (left) and Township Trustee John Lynch load a resident's vehicle with prepared meals and other groceries at one of the Township's "Grab & Go" meal distributions.



Orland Township Supervisor Paul O'Grady (right) with Jewel Osco pharmacist Christina Ruth Dion and Andrew High School Head Dean Mike Murphy at the Township's COVID-19 senior vaccination event at Andrew High School.

STEP RIGHT UP FOR THE BALL DROP

Thursday May 13, 2021

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- Opening Introduction/Lead the Cart Parade
- 5 social media shout outs prior to event

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- 3 social media shout outs prior to event

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\$1,160 - ~~X~~ 1 Available

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

HOMESTEAD Sponsor (Staffed Hole)
\$810 - 18 Available

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- 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

GOLF FOR ONE - \$140
FOURSOME - \$560

- Golf with Cart
- Breakfast Bundle
- B-B-Q Cookout Lunch
- Beverages on course
- 19th Watering Hole - Drinks & Appetizers

19th WATERING HOLE - \$20

- Staffed Hole Personnel
- Guests



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

SUNRISE WATERING HOLE Sponsor - \$1,000

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- 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

OPEN RANGE Sponsor (Unstaffed Hole)
\$785

- FOURSOME Included
- Company name on signage at lunch site

UNSTAFFED HOLE Only - \$250

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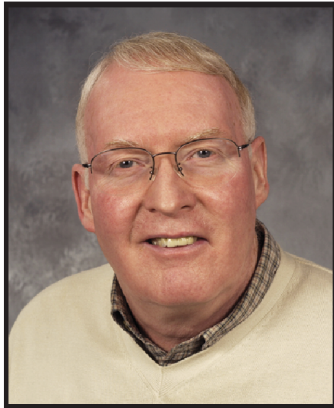
Do You Have A High School Senior Graduating in 2021?



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. Application and documentation must be returned to the Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce
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APRIL Programs & Events




**Multi-Chamber
Virtual Program
Small Business
Programs & Services**

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1:00 pm
Presented by Michael Frerichs
Illinois State Treasurer



Orland Park Area
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April 22, 2021



**Virtual
MONTHLY
MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Wednesday April 28
8:00AM - 9:00 AM

Executive Portrait or Headshot,
Which is Right for You?
Presented by Rob Wehmeier
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April 28, 2021

SAVE THESE DATES



**SAVE THE
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THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021
SILVER LAKE COUNTRY CLUB

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



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May 13, 2021



Save The Date

MEMBER AWARDS &
BOARD INSTALLATION

Thursday, June 10th 2021
5:30pm - 8:30pm

Silver Lake Country Club
14700 S. 82nd Avenue
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June 10, 2021