



# Village of Oak Lawn

A Community United E-Newsletter

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*Keeping residents up to speed with the latest Village news*

## **OAK LAWN NAMES LARRY DEETJEN NEW VILLAGE MANAGER**

The Village of Oak Lawn named Larry R. Deetjen its new Village Manager at a special meeting on July 25, 2007.

Deetjen, 57, has more than 25 years of experience in city management and garnered multiple awards for cities under his management. He most recently served as the manager of Deerfield Beach, Florida, a town of 77,000 residents, where under his guidance the city won awards in economic development, environment, and excellence in management.

"It is truly a privilege for the Village of Oak Lawn to secure a professional of Mr. Deetjen's stature," Mayor Dave Heilmann said. "He has a fantastic record of accomplishments in city management, and when you combine this with his strong financial and economic development skills and enthusiastic approach, it was a pretty easy decision."

Deetjen in accepting the appointment stated, "I am honored to join the Oak Lawn Village team and look forward to working with a progressive President and Board of Trustees committed to enhancing the quality of life for their residents, businesses, and visitors. Deetjen targeted the clear vision and energy of Mayor Heilmann and the Board of Trustees as the deciding factor in selecting Oak Lawn among competing national communities. Deetjen identified the upcoming Centennial celebration in 2009 for the Village as a rallying goal for all segments of the community to pull together and establish Oak Lawn as a vibrant and leading community of the Chicago Metropolitan Region in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Deetjen also identified Oak Lawn's reputation for delivering quality municipal services as important and thanked acting Village Manager and Fire Chief Ed Folliard and his team for their assistance.

Larry R. Deetjen was raised in Elmhurst, Illinois and did his undergraduate work at Lake Forest, Illinois. Deetjen most recently served as city manager in Deerfield Beach, Florida and prior to that assignment served as city manager of Grand Haven, Michigan and assistant town manager of Arlington, Massachusetts. Deetjen has 28 plus years in the profession and is a credentialed manager and member of the ICMA. Deetjen has served as an elected President of the Broward County, Florida City-County Managers'

Association and elected board member on the State of Florida City-County Managers Association. Larry and Lynn Deetjen, who is a realtor associate and President of their 2500 member Homeowners Association, have three children who reside in California and Florida. Larry and Lynn look forward to becoming active members in the Oak Lawn community.

Deetjen has a Bachelor's Degree in Economics, a Master's in Urban Affairs and Policy Analysis, and attended city management educational programs at MIT and Harvard University Kennedy School of Government.

## ***LAST SUMMER CONCERT ON THE VILLAGE GREEN***

The Village Green is located north of the Oak Lawn Library and directly east of the Municipal Center. The concert is free. Bring your own refreshments and don't forget your blankets or lawn chairs. Any questions or concerns, please contact Chad Weiler at (708) 499-7821 or by email at [cweiler@oaklawn-il.gov](mailto:cweiler@oaklawn-il.gov)

***Sunday, August 26  
7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
Railroad Gin***

Come hear one of the Southside's most energetic rock bands demonstrate their range from Pink Floyd to Elvis Presley and a whole lot more.

### ***Wanted – Crafters for “Fall on the Green 2007”***

The Village of Oak Lawn has spaces available in the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts & Crafts Show at the Fall on the Green on September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 9446 S. Raymond Ave. For more information and an application, please contact Deanne Adasiak (708) 499-7837 or email [dadasiak@oaklawn-il.gov](mailto:dadasiak@oaklawn-il.gov).



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

Captain David Pfeiffer, US Air Force  
Captain Craig Lanigan, Army Reserves  
Michael S. Zylius, US Navy  
Pfc. Benjamin T. Kanst, US Marine Corp  
Sgt. Enrico DeLorenzo, US Air Force  
Sgt. Daniel Miller, US Marine Corp  
Rebecca Joy Inflow, US Naval Air Corp  
Pfc. Stephen Lukaiewicz, US Air Force  
Edward Tamborino, US Navy  
Sara Losos, AIC  
Pfc. Christopher Mann, US Marine Corp  
1<sup>st</sup> Sgt. Wade Pasquerrella, 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne  
Sgt. Jeff M. Marsinkowski, US Air Force  
Sp4 Archie Thompson, IV  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. David Pfeiffer, US Air Force  
Pfc. Justin Sanchez  
HM3 Leslye Thompson  
Sgt. Robert Sanchez, Jr.  
Keith Libner, US Marine Corp  
Pfc. John C. Hojek, US Marine Corp  
Spec. Kevin J. Schwararko, US Army  
Gustavo Guerrez, US Marine Corp  
Pfc John W. Campbell, US Marine Corp  
Spc. Dan Brady  
OS2 Stacy L. Johnson, USS  
Cpl. John Elder, US Marine Corp  
Karl Schultz, US Navy  
Sgt. R.E. Carlson, US Marine Corp  
Sp4 Joseph J Necom, USA  
Sgt. John Patrick White

*The Village of Oak Lawn appreciates the many sacrifices our residents in the Armed Forces make for us on a day to day basis. We ask our residents to keep all of those in the Armed Forces in their prayers. If you are an active service man or woman or have a loved one currently serving in the armed forces, please send their name and military information to [mgorman@oaklawn-il.gov](mailto:mgorman@oaklawn-il.gov).*

*If any service man or woman would be interested in receiving the "A Community United" to keep in touch with the latest happenings in their hometown, they may do so by sending their email information to [mgorman@oaklawn-il.gov](mailto:mgorman@oaklawn-il.gov).*

## **OAK LAWN COOLING CENTERS**

Residents whom are not able to find relief at the homes of family or friends may seek shelter at the following locations. Please note:

- Bring necessary medications and toiletries
- No beds are provided, seating only
- No food or beverages will be provided
- No pets permitted (certified service animals excepted)
- No transportation will be provided
- Contact family and friends as to your location

### **OAK LAWN SENIOR CENTER**

5330 W. 95<sup>th</sup> Street  
(708) 499-0240

**Mon. – Fri. 8:30 am – 5 pm**

**Sun. 12 – 4 pm**

### **WORTH TOWNSHIP SENIOR CENTER**

11601 S. Pulaski

Alsip (708) 371-2900 ext. 28

**Mon. – Fri. 8:30 am – 4:30 pm**

### **OAK LAWN LIBRARY**

9427 S. Raymond Ave.  
(708) 422-4990

**Mon. – Thurs. 9 am – 9 pm**

**Fri. – Sat. 9 am – 5 pm**

### **OAK LAWN PAVILION**

9401 S. Oak Park Avenue  
(708) 857-2420

**Mon. Wed. Fri. 6 am – 10 pm**

**Tue. & Thur. 6 am – 11 pm**

**Sat. & Sun. 8 am – 8 pm**

### **ADVOCATE CHRIST HOSPITAL**

94<sup>TH</sup> & Kostner Ave.

Public Safety Office (708) 684-1057

**MAIN LOBBY every day 6 am – 8 pm**

### **OAK LAWN MUNICIPAL CENTER**

9446 S. Raymond Ave.

8:30 am – 5 pm (708) 636-4400

5 pm – 8:30 am (708) 422-8292

**OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY**

TUESDAY—AUGUST 7, 2007

6:00 PM TO 9:00 PM



**\* POLICE-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

OAK LAWN MUNICIPAL CENTER  
9446 SOUTH RAYMOND AVENUE

*Police & Fire Department  
Demonstrations & Open House*

*Police Department's Child  
Identification Program*



Refreshments will be available for purchase.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### ***Pixie School Program at Worth Township***

- What:** An organized play school group for children ages 3-5.  
**When:** 1<sup>st</sup> Session, Tuesdays and Thursdays, September 4 – December 6, 2007. Morning and afternoon classes available.  
**Fee:** \$175 – Township resident. \$200 – Non-Township Resident  
**Info:** Worth Township Youth Commission, 11601 S Pulaski, Alsip (708) 371-2900. [www.worhtownship.com](http://www.worhtownship.com)

## SPORTS & RECREATION

### ***Chicago Architectural River Cruise***

- What:** Learn about the architect and design of more than 50 buildings along two branches of the Chicago River. Box lunch at Navy Pier.  
**When:** Thursday, **September 13**. In person registration Saturday, August 11. Departs: 8:00 am. Returns: 2:00 pm. Oak Lawn Library, 9427 S. Raymond Ave., (708) 422 4990  
**Cost:** Friends of the Oak Lawn Library: \$52. Others: \$57

## SENIOR NEWS

### ***Enjoy lunch, parties, bingo and trips at the Oak Lawn C.N.N.***

- What:** The Oak Lawn C.N.N. invites all seniors to join them for a hot nutritious lunch (served at 11:30 am). Bingo and cards everyday. If you need transportation, call PACE (708) 499 7090 the day before and a bus will pick you up at your door.  
**When:** The C.N.N. is open Monday – Friday from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.  
**Where:** 9420 S. 52<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, (708) 422-5180

## HEALTH NEWS

### ***Tea Reduces Risk***

The USDA reported that men and women who drank black tea for three weeks reduced their total and bad cholesterol (LDL) levels by an average of 7.5%. Researchers concluded that drinking tea may reduce the risk of coronary heart disease. Antioxidants called flavonoids, found in both green and black teas, are thought to be potent weapons in the fight against heart disease.

## GO GO SOX EXPRESS BUS SCHEDULE

Game Time	Bus Leaves Oak Lawn
12:05 p.m.	10:05 a.m.
1:05 p.m.	11:05 a.m.
2:55 p.m.	12:55 p.m.
3:05 p.m.	1:05 p.m.
6:05 p.m.	4:05 p.m.
7:11 p.m.	5:05 p.m.

- Service Dates:** All Night, Saturday, Sunday and Holiday Games  
All Day Games during June, July and August  
*Pace regrets that they are unable to serve daytime weekday games during April, May, September, and October.*
- Departure:** Near the Oak Lawn Metra Station on 52nd Avenue just north of Yourell Drive; parking is free in the parking deck and no fees will be collected around game times.
- Return:** From U.S. Cellular Field to Burr Ridge, Bolingbrook, Markham, Palos Heights, Oak Lawn, and Tinley Park: Bus returns 30 minutes after the game ends (if there are no fireworks) or 30 minutes after the end of fireworks.
- Cost:** \$7.50; 6 or more tickets are only \$5 each; and kids under 7 are free with each adult fare (limit 2 per adult)
- Ticket Purchases:** [Pace Headquarters](#) (cash, check or credit card)  
[Online Store](#) (credit card - allow 10 days) [www.pacebus.com](http://www.pacebus.com)  
[Ticket-By-Mail Form](#) (Check or money order - allow 10 days)  
On the Bus (exact cash fare is required)

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

### ***Hotel Garage Sale – Oak Lawn Hilton***

**What:** Sale featuring hotel employee treasures, gift shop closeouts and antiques. Whitney's Restaurant opens at 6:30 am and the Hilton Coffee Corner is opens at 7:00 am.

**When:** Friday, **August 17**, 8:00 am until 4:00 pm

**Where:** The Hilton Oak Lawn, 9333 S. Cicero Ave., (708) 229-8850

### ***A Nite at the Races – Together We Cope***

**What:** Together We Cope, A homeless prevention agency, is hosting a Pasta Estravaganza along with a Nite at the Races. Buffet dinner, beer, wine and pop.

**When:** Monday, **September 10**, dinner – 6:00 pm, and 7:00 pm horse races

**Where:** Orland Chateau, 14500 S. LaGrange Road

**Cost:** Adults- \$25. Children, ages 3-12, \$5.

## **ST. GERALD'S CARNIVAL**

**Thursday, August 9, 5:00 – 10:00 pm**

**Friday, August 10, 5:00 – 10:00 pm**

**Saturday, August 11, Noon – 4:30 pm, 6:00 – 10- pm**

**Sunday, August 12, 1:00 – 10:00 pm**

**\$30 Ride Special** good from Saturday (1:00-4:30 pm)  
through Sunday (1:00-5:00 pm)

### **FAMILY TENT**

**Thursday Evening – *Grandma vs. Pancake***

**Friday Evening – *A Week Back***

**Saturday Evening – *Gigglewater***

**Sunday Afternoon - *The Music Company***

**Sunday Evening – *The Parking Lot Boys***





Water restrictions have been in effect since May 15 and continue through September 15. Addresses that end with an ODD number can only water on an odd numbered date and addresses that end in an EVEN number can only water on even numbered dates from 7:00 – 11:00 am and 7:00 – 11:00 pm. Underground sprinklers may be used from Midnight until 5:00 am. Residents will be given citations if they are not in compliance with the restrictions.

### **VILLAGE OF OAK LAWN 'PREFERRED PROVIDERS'**

The Village of Oak Lawn acknowledges the following companies for their support of the 2006 Fall on the Green. \$10,000 of funds raised from this event was donated to the Park Lawn Foundation.

#### **GOLD SPONSORS**

**City Beverage – Budweiser  
Robin Realty**

**Environmental Cleansing Corporation  
Standard Bank & Trust**

### ***BUSINESS SPECIALS FOR OAK LAWN RESIDENTS ONLY***

Each e-mail will feature a few Oak Lawn businesses with special offers for our residents. Just mention that you are an Oak Lawn resident and read about the offer in the “A Community United” e-mail newsletter. Our features this edition are:



# COLD STONE

CREAMERY

**COLD STONE CREAMERY**, located at 5120 W. 95<sup>th</sup> St., (708) 229-9000, features **HOMEMADE** ice cream AND **SIGNATURE ICE CREAM CAKES** WHICH ARE MADE FRESH DAILY IN THE STORE. YOU CAN CUSTOMIZE YOUR ICE CREAM EXPERIENCE BY MIXING IN VARIOUS ITEMS SUCH AS CANDIES, NUTS AND FRUITS ON A FROZEN GRANITE STONE. *Cold Stone Creamery would like to offer you \$3.00 off one of their "Signature" ice cream cakes or \$1.00 off THE EVERYBODY'S BUCKET TO GO.* Hours are Monday – Thursday, 11:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.; Friday 11:00p.m. – 11:00 p.m.; Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.; and Sunday 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. Offer good through the month of August, 2007.

## ATTENTION OAK LAWN VILLAGERS

On Sunday, August 5 at 2:00 pm the Chicago Machine will face the Dragons of San Francisco in the home season finale and would like to offer \$5 and \$12 tickets to all residents at a buy 1 get 1 free for equal or lesser value. The game will feature Machine veteran midfielder Doug Shanahan and All-Stars Kevin Leveille, Mike Culver and Pat Heim as they battle the Dragons and 2006 Major League Lacrosse MVP Ryan Power and perennial all-star Chris Rottelli. Come and experience the fast paced action of Major League Lacrosse at TOYOTA Park. Please contact Beth Anne Shelman (312) 255-1522 to secure your free tickets to the 2007 season home finale or show up at TOYOTA PARK and mention the "Oak Lawn Special" for the discounted rates.

Enjoy These **HOT DEALS** From Your Friends At...



**NEW LOCATION:**  
5116 W. 95<sup>TH</sup> Street  
(Metra Station)  
Oaklawn, IL



**FREE MEDIUM  
(HOT/ICED)  
COFFEE**

No Purchase Necessary

**LIMIT 1**



Coupons may not be combined with any other offer. COUPON VALID ONLY AT NEW LOCATION AT 5116 W. 95<sup>TH</sup> ST. METRA STATION. EXPIRES: 8/30/07

**FREE  
HASH BROWNS  
WITH ANY BREAKFAST  
SANDWICH PURCHASE**

**LIMIT 1**



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**SPORTSCLIPS HAIRCUTS,**  
located at 10549 S. Cicero Ave.,  
(708) 636-5490, features plasma

TV's showing multiple sporting events, guy smart stylists and autographed sports memorabilia for sale. No appointment necessary, open seven days a week, Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 8:00 pm; Saturday 9:00 am – 6:00 pm; and Sunday 11:00 am – 4:00 pm. SportsClips would like to offer Oak Lawn residents ***half off of its MVP service every Wednesday during the month August, 2007.*** MVP service includes shampoo, haircut, hot towel treatment and head/neck message.

***Thanks for taking the time to read this edition of A Community United. Please know that your comments and concerns are always appreciated at [information@oaklawn-il.gov](mailto:information@oaklawn-il.gov)***