



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



### **OAK LAWN MOVING FORWARD ON 111th STREET DEVELOPMENT**

The Village of Oak Lawn and Sears Holdings Corporation announced a comprehensive agreement over the Sears property located in the Oak Lawn TIF District at 111th and Cicero Avenue which will end the litigation between parties in an amicable manner.

The Village's vision is to develop this site into a commercially viable and regionally attractive center to serve the needs of Oak Lawn residents and the entire region.

Oak Lawn would like to thank Sears Holdings Corporation for its cooperation and decision to approve the agreement.

In November of 2011, the Village closed on the purchase of the fee interest in the 20 acre plus site. Thereafter, negotiations with Sears Holdings Corporation to purchase their leasehold rights accelerated bringing a close to a five year legal dispute and the transfer and full control of the 20 acre parcel to the Village, this spring, on May 31, 2012.

The Village is working with Developer Hamilton Partners on plans for the design and attracting new stores and restaurants to that site. The process of finalizing a development agreement, working with multiple government agencies regarding development, coming up with an acceptable design concept and then actual construction is anticipated to be a time consuming one. Also, many stores will only open at a certain time of year and this affects the date on which we could see a new store open its doors. We have been advised by the developer that the likely time frame for any store opening would not be before the Spring of 2014. The Board and staff of the Village are working diligently with the developer on all facets of moving this forward to provide a great new retail area for Oak Lawn.

**Oak Lawn Park District & Village of Oak Lawn**

Jim Necci's Cold-Blooded Creatures  
 Kids crafts and Activities  
 Plant Giveaways  
 Free Bubbles  
 Tree Planting Demo  
 Active Transportation Bike Club  
 Worm Composting Demo  
 Rain Barrel Demo  
 Energy Conservation at Home  
 How-To on Raising Monarch Butterflies  
 Alternative Fuel Car Demo:  
 Compare Multiple Models Side by Side  
 Discover Nature in Our Neighborhood!  
 Nature Walk

There will be an ASL interpreter for  
 available for anyone requiring  
 assistance

Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012

12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

**LOCATION:  
 WOLFE WILDLIFE  
 REFUGE  
 @ 109TH ST. &  
 LAWLER AVE.  
 OAK LAWN, IL**

Think Green.....Live Green!

Earth Day is a  
 day that is  
 intended to  
 inspire  
 awareness and  
 appreciation for  
 the Earth's  
 natural  
 environment.  
 Please Join Us!

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Earth Day Celebration!

## 2nd ANNUAL GERMAZING RACE

5K Run/Walk and Kids Dash

Saturday, April 21, 2012

Starting Time: 9:00 a.m.

For more information and registration, please visit [www.thegermazingrace.com](http://www.thegermazingrace.com).



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OLCHS & RICHARDS HIGH SCHOOLS SPEECH TEAMS

### OLCHS Speech Team:

**Julia Boyle**, a senior, was **State Champion in Impromptu Speaking** and **4th in State in Informative Speaking**. **Margaret Koll**, a junior, was **4th in State in Extemporaneous Speaking**. **Jacqueline McNaughton**, a senior, was **2nd in State in Prose Reading** and **4th in State** with her partner **Michael Sequeira**, a senior, in **Dramatic Duet Acting!**

**Richards High School Speech Team:**

**John Zahlmann**, a senior, was **State Champion in Humorous Interpretation** and **2nd in State in Original Comedy**. **Allison Lonigro**, a senior, was **5th in State in Extemporaneous Speaking**.

**CONGRATULATIONS, SPEECH TEAM!**



**ST. GERALD EIGHTH GRADERS  
WIN HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS**

**Brendan Godsel** received the Edmund Rice Scholarship from Brother Rice.  
**Robert Conklin** received the Redhawk Scholar from Marist High School.  
**Izabela Paraga, Claire Murphy, and Isabelle Pavlik** all received scholarships  
from Queen of Peace High School.

Each of the students earned scholarships to their chosen high school for  
achieving high scores on the Catholic High School Placement Test.

**Congratulations to you all!**



**NEW ORDINANCE CONCERNING CONCRETE**

Please contact the Building Department for concrete permit details by call (708) 499-7800 or (708) 499-7802.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF OAK LAWN**

For your protection, please have your house numbers clearly visible  
from the street.



**DAN RUTHERFORD, ILLINOIS TREASURER  
TO DISCUSS THE FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR STATE FACILITIES**

SPRINGFIELD—February 2012— Illinois Treasurer Dan Rutherford is calling on the State of Illinois to implement business principles by having strategic long-range plans for its major state facility assets. Rutherford would like a plan for each major facility, whether it is a unit in corrections, mental health, and developmental services or veterans affairs. After careful evaluations, the plan for each facility would be put into place for five-year projections, similar to what the Illinois Department of Transportation does now with the state's road proposal.

“Requiring this kind of long-range strategic planning will be more effective for employees, residents and communities hosting these state facilities,” said Rutherford. “Strategic planning will help prepare use of the brick and mortar of each state facility for the future, whether it entails construction or destruction.” Rutherford thinks strategic planning should outline what will happen to a state facility's employees, residents, buildings and community if the operation is to close for some reason. He also believes options should also be presented for alternative deployment of those state assets.

“It is not good business management when announcements are made to close a state facility without planning ahead,” said Rutherford. “Illinois should manage like a business and strategically plan.”

This is not the first time Rutherford has taken a stand against abrupt state facility closure announcements. In 2008, the previous governor suggested closing multiple state facilities without a plan. Rutherford was an Illinois Senator at the time, and he proposed legislation that would have put into place long-range strategic planning on certain facility closures, much like the Illinois Department of Transportation requires long-range strategic planning for its major road development plans. “As a state senator, I proposed legislation for the Illinois Department of Corrections, but it has obvious application today for the state developmental centers slated for closure in Jacksonville and Tinley Park. We simply cannot allow important decisions to be made without practical and thoughtful long-term planning.”

The current governor has said he plans to shutdown multiple state facilities to save the state money. “Many questions remain as to what will happen to the people who work and receive care at these facilities and their families,” said Rutherford. “It is obvious there is not a real long-range plan in place. If a current state asset is not meeting the mission it was established for, could the facility be used for another purpose? Planning one, two or three years ahead is what a well-managed company would do with its assets.”



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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Illinois Treasurer Dan Rutherford Certifies State's Portfolio Clean of Investments from Iran**

CHICAGO – February 29, 2012 – Following a thorough scan undertaken at his directive, Illinois State Treasurer Dan Rutherford announced today that the entire state's investment portfolio under his management is devoid of any holdings in companies conducting business with Iran including, but not limited to, oil, petroleum, and mineral-extraction activities.

"Divestiture from Iran was a policy I supported when I served in the Illinois General Assembly and I continue to support today as the state treasurer. Keeping dollars from rogue countries like Iran helps with global security and our own state's financial well-being. Financial prudence requires me to steer clear of any investments involved with Tehran's energy sector. After all, this is a country that violently suppresses any political dissent within its own borders, supports international terrorism, reportedly hatched an assassination plot against foreign diplomats in our nation's capital, and continues to foster instability throughout the Middle East," said Rutherford.

"The state's Iran divestment program from our state pension funds was a success, both extracting us from substantial risk and selling our assets in a manner that was profitable for the taxpayers of our state. I am proud to be able to declare that all state funds under my authority are in no way assisting Iran's continuing drive for nuclear weapons, in flagrant violation of international law," Rutherford said.

Jay Teath, executive vice president of the Jewish United Fund of Metropolitan Chicago, which was at the forefront of the advocacy campaign to pass that Iran divestment law in Springfield, praised Rutherford's initiative, saying, "While that 2007 Illinois law compelled the state's pension funds to divest from Iran, and some \$133 million ultimately was divested, there was no such obligation placed upon state funds managed by the treasurer's office. Nonetheless, Treasurer Rutherford committed to make any investment adjustments that were determined to be necessary. Divestment and other economic measures are essential components of efforts by the United Nations, the European Union, the U.S. Administration and Congress to peacefully prevent the terrorist-supporting state of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapon capability. It is both substantively and symbolically important that State Treasurer Dan Rutherford is advancing that noble cause."

Rutherford also pledged to voluntarily uphold another part of the 2007 Iran divestment law: Each bid for a contract with the treasurer's office must include a disclosure if the firm has any business dealings with the government of Iran.

This commitment to ensure that state funds are not being invested in ways that place undo risk on taxpayers' dollars or undermine important American values or national interests is consistently upheld by Rutherford, who as a state senator co-sponsored legislation to divest all Illinois pension investments away from any companies doing business with Sudan.

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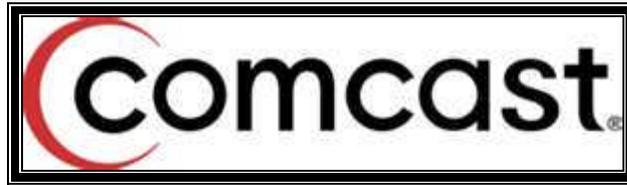
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## **UPCOMING COMCAST CHANNEL LINEUP CHANGES & ADDITIONS**

Effective April 11, 2012, the following basic channels will begin to be transmitted in digital only format (Digital Basic). A Comcast digital cable box, digital adapter, a digital television with a QAM tuner or CableCard will be required to view these channels.

<b><u>Channel #</u></b>	<b><u>Name of Channel</u></b>
2	WBBM (CBS)
3	HSN
4	Access
5	WMAQ (NBC)
6	WGBO (UNI)
7	WLS (ABC)
8	WPWR (MNT)
9	WGN (CW)
10	WCIU (The U)
11	WTTW (PBS)
12	WFLD (FOX)
13	WCPX (ION)
14	WSNS (TEL)
15	WXFT
16	Access
19	Access
21	WYIN (PBS)
22	CSPAN
96	TV Guide Network
97	Discovery Channel

We are also pleased to announce that on April 12, 2012, the following channels will be added to the Digital Preferred service tier: 153 Smithsonian Channel, 154 BBC World News, and 223 Inspiration Network.

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Richards: John Zahlmann (Sr) State Champion in Humorous Interpretation AND 2nd in State in Original Comedy; and Allison Lonigro (Sr) 5th in State in Extemporaneous Speaking.



## **CHRIST MEDICAL CENTER RESPONDS TO PARKING CONCERNS OF ITS PATIENTS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY**

**Oak Lawn, Ill.** -- Parking at Advocate Christ Medical Center and Hope Children's Hospital will become a whole lot easier as of March 1 when the campus implements free parking for all patients and visitors.

"Providing the 'Advocate experience' -- the highest quality care and service -- to our patients and their families does not simply begin and end inside the walls of our buildings. It should start from the moment they arrive on our campus," said Kenneth Lukhard, president of the medical center. "We are eliminating all parking fees for patients and families to ensure them consistent and convenient parking -- every lot, every garage, everyday. This is being done in the spirit of our mission of service to the community."

The move to all-free parking follows a parking-fee reduction last year -- from \$8 to \$3 a day -- that was created to address community concern. The reduction, however, still left the medical center with a mix of free and paid parking. The change to a single policy of free parking eliminates confusion and provides a significant service to patients and families. It also represents an important step in the medical center's ongoing commitment to surrounding residents to work with them and the entire Oak Lawn community in decreasing hospital visitor parking on residential streets.

Until now, patients and other visitors who were reluctant to pay parking fees when the free lots were filled circled the medical center looking for parking on the street. The change to all-free campus parking, coupled with the construction of additional parking in the form of new multi-level parking structures on Kostner Avenue at 93<sup>rd</sup> Street and at the corner of Kilbourn Avenue and 95<sup>th</sup> Street, is expected to make parking on campus much easier and more convenient. Both new parking structures will be completed and open to the public later this year.

To take advantage of the free parking, patients and guests will simply pull a gate ticket to enter any of the campus' designated visitor parking facilities and then bring the ticket with them into the hospital for validation. Well-marked ticket validation stations will be located primarily at or near building entry and exit points.

“Physicians here are especially delighted to have free parking now available for patients and families,” said William Adair MD, vice president for clinical transformation at the medical center. “We have received ongoing feedback and comment from our patients about the need to make parking more available. This policy change is in direct response to those requests.”



## **CHICAGO SOUTHLAND CONVENTION & VISITOR BUREAU**

The Chicago Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau will host a CVB Orientation for new or prospective members starting at 8:30 a.m. on March 21, 2012 at their office located at 2304 173<sup>rd</sup> Street, Lansing.

The general public is also invited if they are interested in learning how tourism positively impacts the local economy.

There is no cost for this orientation and refreshments will be served. For more information, contact the Chicago Southland CVB at (708) 895-8200.



## **Important Election Information for 2012**

Early Voting will take place at the Village Hall located at 9446 South Raymond Avenue in the 2nd floor Auditorium. Dates and times for early voting are as follows:

**Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Last day for early voting is Thursday, March 15, 2012  
State ID is required**

For an absentee ballot or if you have any questions regarding early voting, please contact the Village Clerk Jane Quinlan's office at (708) 499-7738, [jquinlan@oaklawn-il.gov](mailto:jquinlan@oaklawn-il.gov) or visit the Village Clerk's office located on the 2nd floor of the Village Hall.

## More Important Dates for the March 20, 2012 Presidential Primary

March 13, 2012	Last day of grace period registration and voting.
March 15, 2012	Last day of Early Voting.
March 15, 2012	Last day to request a mail-in absentee ballot, including military and overseas voters.
March 16, 2012	In-person absentee voting begins at the Cook County Clerk's downtown Chicago office and five suburban courthouse mini-centers.
March 19, 2012	Last day voted mail-in absentee ballots can be postmarked for acceptance by the Cook County Clerk's office. Last day of in-person absentee voting at the Cook County Clerk's downtown Chicago office and five suburban courthouse mini-centers.
March 20, 2012	Election Day

### Village Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, March 13, 2012

7:30 p.m. @ Village Hall

\*Village Hall is open on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month.

### OAK LAWN PUBLIC LIBRARY:

#### **FREE PROGRAM: TAX TALK**

Richard Laskowski of H&R Block in Oak Lawn will share comprehensive tax knowledge on family issues, retirement considerations, property owner concerns, and today's current events and laws. This event will take place on Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawlibrary.org).

#### **BRUNCH RECIPE REVIEW & TASTING WITH CHEF KATE BRADLEY**

Want some ideas for your next delicious brunch? Join Chef Kate Bradley for a review of five brunch recipes, including Vegetable Brunch Strata, Pecan Casserole, Stuffed French Toast, Baked Fruit, and Mustard Encrusted Chicken. The fee is \$5.00 for food samples. Limit: 60. Advance in-person registration is required. This event will take place on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawlibrary.org).

### **CUB PHONE BILL CLINIC**

A Citizens Utility Board (CUB) expert will meet with you one-on-one to explain any confusing charges on your phone bill and provide money-saving tips. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. Phone or in-person registration begins Thursday, March 1, 2012. This event will take place on Thursday, March 22, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawnlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawnlibrary.org).

### **AARP DRIVER SAFETY COURSES**

Advance in-person registration and fee required.

**3 Series 1:** Thursday, March 8, 2012 and Friday, March 9, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Registration is in progress.

**3 Series 2:** Monday, April 9, 2012 and Tuesday, April 10, 2012 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Registration begins on Saturday, March 10, 2012.

The fee is \$12.00 for AARP members & they must present current membership card and \$14.00 for non-members. This event will take place at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawnlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawnlibrary.org).

### **REGISTRATION FOR YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS**

Registration for Spring 2012 Youth Services programs at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 9427 South Raymond Avenue, begins Saturday, March 3, 2012 and continues through Saturday, March 11, 2012 or until full. Each child's library card must be presented at the time of registration. Additional information regarding activities and events is listed in a program booklet that you may pick up at the library or view at [www.oaklawnlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawnlibrary.org).

### **FREE YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAM: MUFFINS WITH MOMMIES**

Kids (3-8 years) and their mommies are invited for stories, crafts, and delicious muffins. Advance registration is required. This event will take place on Saturday, March 3, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawnlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawnlibrary.org).

### **FREE MOVIE: THE IDES OF MARCH**

An idealistic staffer for a new presidential candidate gets a crash course on dirty politics during his stint on the campaign trail. Starring George Clooney, Ryan Gosling, Paul Giamatti and Philip Seymour Hoffman. 2011, R, 101 min. This movie will play on Monday, March 5, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawlibrary.org).

### **FREE CONCERT: DYED IN THE WOOL**

This talented quartet will share an energetic array of Celtic and Folk music on the Irish drum, flute, mandolin, and guitar. Sponsored by the Friends of the Oak Lawn Library. This event will take place on Sunday, March 11, 2012 from 2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawlibrary.org).

### **FREE YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAM: THE WRITE STUFF: FROM BAD TO VERSE**

Explore poetry and puns until you can't stanza it anymore. Young writers in grades 3-5 meet to try simple creative writing projects. This event will take place on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawlibrary.org).

### **FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS**

Free blood pressure screenings offered by the Oak Lawn Fire Department. This event will take place on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawlibrary.org).

### **FREE PROGRAM: COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION OF 1893**

Join historian Michael Corcoran for a fascinating virtual tour of the Exposition and Midway, featuring hundreds of images and stories about the fair that changed Chicago and the world. This event will take place on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawlibrary.org).

### **FREE YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAM: PIGGIE PARTY**

Celebrate National Pig Day with a pig party (and a few elephants thrown in for good measure). Have an oink of a good time creating pig crafts and playing pig-related games. No advance registration. This event will take place on Saturday, March 17, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon or 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawnlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawnlibrary.org).

### **FREE PROGRAM: ROSE BASICS**

Master Gardener Frank DeVries of the University of Illinois Extension will discuss the various types of roses available, the process for selecting the right one for your garden, and the proper way to care for your rose garden. This event will take place on Monday, March 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawnlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawnlibrary.org).

### **FREE YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAM: READ TO ROVER**

Young readers and special needs children can sign up for a 15 minute time slot to read aloud to a dog from the Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy of Chicago. Advance registration is required. This event will take place on Saturday, March 24, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawnlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawnlibrary.org).

### **FREE MOVIE: HUGO**

Set in 1930's Paris, an orphan who lives in the walls of a train station is wrapped up in a mystery involving his late father and automation. Directed by Martin Scorsese. Starring Asa Butterfield, Chloe Grace Moretz, Ben Kingsley and Sacha Baron Cohen. 2011, PG, 126 minutes. This movie will play on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the Oak Lawn Public Library, 5300 West 95th Street. For more information please call (708) 422-4990 or visit [www.oaklawnlibrary.org](http://www.oaklawnlibrary.org).



## **CHICAGO KIWI CLUB HOSTS DINNER & MUSICAL FOR PARK LAWN**

**Who:** Members of the Kiwi Club of Chicago are taking reservations for 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dinner and Musical Play “Gypsy” to benefit individuals with developmental disabilities at Park Lawn.

**What:** According to the Drury Lane description of “Gypsy” attendees can expect a show that is winner of three Tony Awards and is considered by many critics to be the greatest American musical ever written. “Gypsy” is based on the memoirs of Gypsy Rose Lee, a famous burlesque stripper. This show tells the story of Rose, an overbearing stage mother who is determined to break into the big time by pushing a vaudeville career onto her two daughters.

**Where:** Drury Lane 100 Drury Lane Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

**When:** Sunday, March 25, 2012, beginning at 3:00 pm with dinner at 4:00 pm.

**How:** Contact Ruth Banas at (219) 836-5387 to reserve your tickets by March 2

**Why:** The Kiwi Club of Chicago is a group of current and retired American Airlines flight attendants. They have been connected with Park Lawn from the start in 1955 when several Kiwi members volunteered to help teach the children enrolled in Park Lawn’s classes. The Kiwi Club of Chicago Dinner and Musical will benefit Park Lawn, a non-profit agency, located in Chicago’s southwest suburb that provides vocational services, supported employment, adult developmental training, and residential services to individuals with developmental disabilities.



**LENTEN PROGRAM**  
**PILGRIM FAITH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

The second of five Wednesday evening Lenten programs at Pilgrim Faith United Church of Christ in Oak Lawn will be held Wednesday, March 7, 2012 from 7:15 p.m. - 8:15 p.m., preceded by a soup supper at 6:30 p.m. The theme is "Fearless," based on the book by that title by Max Lucado. The series will help us supplant the storms, doubts and disasters in our lives with faith that brings us peace. A children's program on "Courageous Kids" for those age three through fifth grade will meet at the same time. Pilgrim Faith United Church of Christ is at 9411 S. 51st Avenue in Oak Lawn. The public is invited to attend. For more information call the church at 708-422-4200.



**SCOUT SUNDAY**  
**PILGRIM FAITH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Scout Sunday will be celebrated at Pilgrim Faith United Church of Christ on March 4. Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts will be recognized during the 9:30 a.m. worship service. Cub Scout Pack #3473, which is sponsored by Pilgrim Faith, and Girl Scout Troops 60834 and 61122, which meet at the church, will receive special recognition. All who have ever been scouts anywhere are urged to attend. This year's service will give special attention to Girl Scouts which is celebrating its centennial in 2012. The church is at 9411 S. 51st Ave. in Oak Lawn and is handicapped accessible.



**ANNUAL SPRING CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR  
HOSTED BY THE ST. GERALD'S MOTHERS' CLUB**

The St Gerald Mothers' Club is hosting its Annual Spring Craft and Vendor Fair on March 31, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information please email [stgeraldcraftshow@gmail.com](mailto:stgeraldcraftshow@gmail.com).



**CHILDREN'S CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT RESALE  
HOSTED BY SOUTHWEST CHICAGO CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS**

Saturday, March 10, 2012  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The Spring/Summer resale will be held at Southwest Chicago Christian School at 101st and Central Avenue in Oak Lawn.

Payments will be accepted only in cash.  
No bags will be allowed and the sale is adults only.  
Space is limited!  
Registration is required.

The seller keeps 70% of the profit and the school benefits from the other 30%.  
For more information, please call Beth Van Dellen at (708) 422-1902.

**HUGE INDOOR GARAGE SALE!**



**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

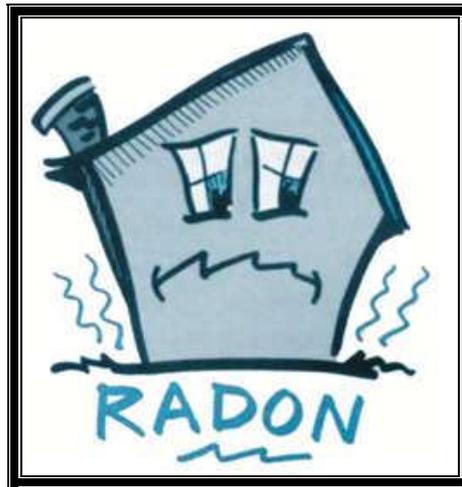
4660 West 94th Street

Oak Lawn, IL 60453

Saturday, March 3, 2012

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Sponsored by St. Paul Youth (S.P.Y.)



**TESTING YOUR HOME FOR RADAN**

Have you tested your home for Radon yet?

Radon is the nation's second leading cause of lung cancer after cigarette smoking. The U.S. E.P.A. and the U.S. Surgeon General recommend testing all homes below the third floor for Radon.

Call for a free packet of Radon Information and to purchase a test kit!

Cook County Department of Environmental Control

(708) 865-6177

Toni Preckwinkle, President

Cook County Board of Commissioners

Radon Awareness Program

# Community Calendar Alert

## Advocate Christ Medical Center Announces Upcoming Events for March, April and May

Advocate Christ Medical Center, 4440 W. 95th St., Oak Lawn, has scheduled the following programs and lectures for March, April, and May. To register or to receive the latest up-to-date information, call Christ Medical Center's *HealthAdvisor* at 1.800.3.ADVOCATE(1.800.323.8622) and refer to the code number listed unless otherwise listed.

**Low Back Pain & Spinal Stenosis** – Dr. Anis Mekhail, board-certified orthopedic surgeon with the Bone & Joint Institute at Advocate Christ Medical Center, will discuss low back pain and spinal stenosis and explain the causes, treatment options and management strategies on **Tuesday, March 6**, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the medical center's Conference Center located on the northwest corner of the campus in Room 0636A&B (lower level). Participants can enter through the imaging center entrance on 93<sup>rd</sup> and Kilbourn Avenue. **Code 1G59**

**Basics of Advocate's Memory Assessment Program** – Area seniors are invited to attend a free presentation from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. the third Friday of **every other month** at the Oakview Community Center, 4625 W. 110th Street, Oak Lawn. This program is part of a bi-monthly series of free senior education talks by the Senior Advocate Department at Advocate Christ Medical Center. Registration is necessary. The next Senior Breakfast Club meeting will be held on **Friday, March 16. Code: 1S13**

**Healthcare Provider CPR Course** – The Center for Pre-hospital Care and their AHA designated Training Center located at 5220 W. 105<sup>th</sup> Street in Oak Lawn, offer CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) classes every month. **Due to the AHA 2005 Guideline changes, the initial "Healthcare Provider" course can now be completed in one night.** The center offers both the AHA "Healthcare Provider-New" course and the AHA "Healthcare Provider Renewal" course at a cost of \$65 (includes textbook). Participants may purchase a \$10 microshield to be used outside of the class to protect against communicable diseases when administering CPR.

Registration is necessary as class size is limited. The next 4-hour class will be offered on **Monday, March 19**, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. **Code: 1C03. For information or to register, call Christ Medical Center's HealthAdvisor at 1.800.323.8622.**

**Surviving & Thriving Survivorship Group** – A free support group meeting which includes speakers on a variety of survivorship topics and useful

resources meets the fourth Thursday of the month from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the medical center's Conference Center located on the northwest corner of the campus in Room 0636 (lower level). The next meeting will be held on **Thursday, March 22**, and the topic will be "*Chemo Brain*." Participants can enter through the imaging center entrance on 93<sup>rd</sup> and Kilbourn Avenue. **Code: 1C51**

**Smoking Cessation Program** – Smokers who want to quit the habit can take advantage of a smoking cessation program being offered by Advocate Christ Medical Center. The 7-week program begins **Tuesday, April 10**, and continues through Tuesday, May 22, at 6 p.m. in the medical center's Conference Center located on the northwest corner of the campus in Room 0613 (lower level). The cost is \$60.00; however, if all sessions are attended, \$30.00 will be refunded upon completion of the program. Participants can enter through the imaging center entrance on 93<sup>rd</sup> and Kilbourn Avenue. **To register, please call 708.684.4229.**

**Look Good...Feel Better** – A free workshop, provided by certified/trained cosmetologists, teaches female cancer patients hands-on cosmetic techniques to help restore their appearance and self-image during chemotherapy and radiation treatments. Women learn about makeup techniques, skin care, nail care and options related to hair loss, such as wigs, turbans and scarves. The program, offered in partnership with the American Cancer Society, the National Cosmetology Association, and the Cosmetic, Toiletry and Fragrance Association (CTFA) Foundation, is held **every other month** on the third Wednesday. The next workshop will be held on **Wednesday, April 18**, from 4 to 6 p.m., at the Advocate Christ Center for Breast Care, 4545 W. 103<sup>rd</sup> St., Oak Lawn. Registration is required. **Code: 1C17**

**Salute 2012** – "Mission Possible" is the theme for this year's Salute, which is proving to be a star-studded affair, attracting several high-profile personalities, such as Rob Johnson, CBS Chicago television news anchor who will emcee the program, and Emmy®-award winning chief medical correspondent for CNN Television, Dr. Sanjay Gupta, who will make the keynote presentation. The gala is being held on Saturday, May 5, in the United Club at Chicago's historic Soldier Field.

Mel Wichter MD, chair of the neurology department and co-medical director of the Neurosciences Institute at Christ Medical Center, will be the physician honoree at this year's Salute. Oak Lawn's Mayor Dave Heilmann will be recognized as "Outstanding Community Leader Honoree" for his significant and ongoing support of the medical center.

Proceeds from the gala will help finance modernization of Christ Medical Center's 50-year-old campus. Individual tickets are \$350, a portion of which is tax-deductible. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [www.advocatehealth.com](http://www.advocatehealth.com) or contact Margo Cusic at 708-684-3764.

**Healthy Hearts Group** – Five million people are affected by Congestive Heart Failure nationwide. Healthy Hearts is a group aimed at educating our medical center community members on the benefits of maintaining a healthy heart. Each quarterly meeting is held from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the medical center's Conference Center located on the northwest corner of the campus in Room 0637 (lower level) and features a speaker who will discuss topics to promote overall good cardiac health. The next meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 10**, and the topic will be *"Making sure you are on the right medications for your heart and blood pressure."* Participants can enter through the imaging center entrance on 93<sup>rd</sup> and Kilbourn Avenue. For more information or to register, please contact Sue Dedic at 708.684.3899.

**Joint Replacement: Is It Time?** – Dr. Kevin Luke, board-certified orthopedic surgeon and medical director of the Bone & Joint Institute at Advocate Christ Medical Center, will discuss facts about today's joint replacements on **Monday, May 21**, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Advocate Christ Outpatient Center in Palos Heights (12340 S. Harlem Avenue, Palos Heights, IL). **Code 1G48.**

**Cervical Disc Replacement?** – Dr. Daniel Troy, board-certified orthopedic surgeon at the Bone & Joint Institute at Advocate Christ Medical Center, will discuss causes, treatment options and management strategies for cervical disc problems on **Tuesday, May 22**, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Advocate Christ Outpatient Center in Palos Heights (12340 S. Harlem Avenue, Palos Heights, IL). **Code 1C54**

**Spinal Stenosis** – Dr. Richard Lim, board-certified orthopedic surgeon and spine surgery specialist at The Spine Center at Advocate Christ Medical Center, discusses spinal stenosis on **Wednesday, May 23**, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Advocate Christ Outpatient Center in Palos Heights (12340 S. Harlem Avenue, Palos Heights, IL). **Code 1G47**

**So You Have Low Back Pain, Now What?** – Many people suffer from low back without really understanding what to do about it. Dr. Richard Lim, board-certified orthopedic surgeon and spine surgery specialist at The Spine Center at Advocate Christ Medical Center, will discuss basic anatomy, common causes of low back pain and both the surgical and non-surgical options on **Wednesday, May 30**, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Advocate Christ Outpatient Center in Palos Heights (12340 S. Harlem Avenue, Palos Heights, IL). **Code 1G52**



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The Village of Oak Lawn appreciates the many sacrifices our residents in the Armed Forces make for us on a day to day basis. Please keep them in your 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 [coleary@oaklawn-il.gov](mailto:coleary@oaklawn-il.gov). If any service man or woman would be interested in receiving the "A Community United" they may do so by sending their email information to [coleary@oaklawn-il.gov](mailto:coleary@oaklawn-il.gov).

The Village of Oak Lawn would like to welcome home any of our service men and women by displaying their name on the marquee along 95<sup>th</sup> Street. Please feel free to call the Village Manager's office at (708) 499-7742 with the information regarding your loved one's homecoming.



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The Village of Oak Lawn would like residents to be aware of available resources for further information on Fair Housing. Please refer to the websites below.

**Fair Housing Information**

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/FHLaws/FairHousingJan2002.pdf>

**Rental Housing Discrimination**

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/>

**Foreclosure Prevention**

<http://www.makinghomeaffordable.gov/>

**Housing Choice Voucher Program**

<http://www.thehacc.org/index.aspx>

For further information please contact the Fair Housing Administrator  
9446 South Raymond Avenue, Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453, 708 499-7806

The Oak Lawn Fair Housing Commission meets the third Tuesday of  
January, April, July and October @ 4:00 p.m. in the Lower Level  
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If you are opening a new business in the Village of Oak Lawn, please contact the Mayor's Office at (708) 499-7742 or email us at [coleary@oaklawn-il.gov](mailto:coleary@oaklawn-il.gov). We will include your new business information in "A Community United" E-Newsletter for two weeks. THIS SERVICE IS FREE. Over 2,000 residents receive "A Community United" E-Newsletter every other Thursday. It is our way of welcoming you to the Village of Oak Lawn and letting the residents learn about a new business in our community.

Thank you for taking the time to read this edition of "A Community United" E-Newsletter. If you are interested in receiving the E-Newsletter via regular mail or email, please contact Carmie O'Leary at (708) 499-7742 or email your request at [coleary@oaklawn-il.gov](mailto:coleary@oaklawn-il.gov).