

Justice Journal

JUNE 2021

# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Congratulations, Appreciation, and Thank You.....

The Justice Chamber of Commerce (JCC) thanks Orley Betcher Sr, founding President of the Justice Chamber of Commerce for 21 years of service to the chamber and Village of Justice businesses, as he retired in 2020. His community action, foresight and ability to gather business owners and managers together to form this chamber was important for both Justice businesses as well as the village government. He made sure the chamber worked together with the village to promote business opportunities and carried the voice of Justice businesses to many, many Village of Justice Board Meetings. We also like to thank Carolyn Judd for her years of service to the chamber, as she also retired in 2020 as Chamber Secretary, Orley continues to own Betcher Landscaping in Justice and we look forward to seeing both he and Carolyn at future chamber meetings.

With the Covid-19 Pandemic going strong in 2020, the Justice Chamber of Commerce officers sought financial relief for all village business and teamed up with the Village of Justice Board to announce, back in December, 2020, that the Village of Justice is waiving the village's business licensing fees for 2021 to all Justice businesses. The Justice Chamber of Commerce thanks the village board for teaming up to provide some financial relief to our business owners.

# The new Justice Chamber of Commerce Board will consist of;

Ron Patrick	
Bill Beahan	
Hank Oszakiewski	
Juanita Durkin	

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer

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- A promotional sign to post on their door or window. (After the local elections are over, we are planning to purchase lawn signs, too.)
- Instructions for the business employees
- Promotional rules and info page to hand out to customers
- For non-retail businesses we will provide a printed "receipt" for reproducible paper, so they can't be copied.
- The businesses will each need to decide what qualifies as a "purchase" for them. Here are some ideas....
- The Justice Public Library we'll hand them out to patrons that come in to use the computer, check-out library material, renew their cards, etc.
- The village of Justice might give out receipts to people who come in to pay their sewer bills, get vehicle stickers, etc.
- An insurance, trucking, or auto repair company might want to give them out to customers who come in for quotes.

#### **Customer instructions:**

- Collect 3 receipts from 3 different participating JCC businesses. Either a retail receipt (\$10 or more) or a non-retail receipt as described above will qualify.
- For each 3 receipts turned in the customer will receive a raffle entry form. Customers may enter the raffle more than once. The receipts can be turned in at the Justice Public Library.
- If the customer needs to keep their receipt (for a warranty, business reimbursement, etc.) then the receipt will be marked with "JCC Raffle," so it can't be used again.
- Customers will fill out their name and phone number on each raffle ticket, then the ticket will be entered in the drawing for that month.
- If a customer wins the raffle, he/she will receive \$50 in Chamber Bucks (5 @ \$10 each). The Chamber Bucks can be spent like cash at any participating business. No change will be given, so if a winner only buys \$5 worth of merchandise and uses a Chamber Buck to pay for it, he/she will lose the other \$5.

#### **Raffle information:**

- Drawings will be held once per month.
- Each month 2 winners will be drawn. Winners will be notified by phone.
- Once notified, winners will have 30 days to pick up their prize. If the prize is not claimed within 30 days, a new winner will be drawn.
- Each winner will receive 5 Chamber Bucks, worth \$10 each, for a total prize amount equaling \$50
- Non-winning raffle tickets will be shredded each month after winners have picked up their prizes. So, each month the raffle tickets entered will be only those turned after the last drawing.
- Chamber businesses that collect Chamber Bucks from customers will notify the Chamber and we'll reimburse them \$10 cash for each Chamber Buck they've collected.

#### **Sponsor Information**

- Businesses or individuals that donate \$250 or more will be listed as sponsors on our promotional signs and our website.
- All donations will be used to fund the raffle prizes.

# **LIONS CLUB**

The Justice Chamber of Commerce is pleased

## President Ron Patrick

Vice President Bill Beahan

> **Treasurer** Juanita Dunkin

Secretary Hank Oszakiewski

## **IMPORTANT DATES**



## Independence Day July 4th



Justice Auto Show Aug. 22nd





# to welcome eight new members this year:

- Blue Star Taqueria & Margarita Bar
- Davern's Tavern & Lounge
- Digital Aerial Solutions, LLC
- Dunkin' Donuts, Justice
- Great Lakes Vending Corporation
- Justice Animal Clinic
- Lucky Slot Lounge
- Paradigm Consulting Services, Inc.

We hope you'll benefit from joining with other business owners to help our local businesses thrive.

And a BIG "Thank You" to all our sustaining members, too. You've been making a difference for years and it is much appreciated!

Editor: Ron Patrick



Promotion brought to you by

In order to benefit both Justice Chamber of Commerce businesses and our residents, the Chamber presents Shop Local & Win. We'll start the promotion in early March.

The simple version is that customers who shop at three different Chamber businesses in a month can turn in their receipts to the Chamber for a raffle ticket. Two raffle winners will be drawn each month and each winner will receive \$50 in Chamber Bucks (in \$10 denominations, so they don't have to spend it all at once). The Chamber Bucks can be spent like cash at any participating Chamber business. The business will then turn in the Chamber Bucks to the Justice Chamber of Commerce and we will give them \$10 cash for each Chamber Buck they've collected from customers. v

#### Here are the details:

- Only businesses that have an active Justice Chamber of Commerce membership will be able to participate. Participation is voluntary and a business may decide to opt in or out at any time.
- Each business that participates will receive:

The Justice Lions Club will be inducting their new officers at the next meeting on June 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the All Purpose Room at Village Hall. Lion Mike Smieligski, PDG of the Willow Springs Lions Club will induct our new officers. District 1-A Governor Marilyn McLean will be attending our induction meeting.

As a newly Chartered Club we were assigned Guiding Lions Mike Smigielski, PDG and Dave Hansen, PDG. Lion Mike & Lion Dave have helped to train, motivate and support our clubs growth and development for the past two years. We are beyond thankful and appreciative of the support and guidance of Lion Mke & Lion Dave.

## JUSTICE CHAMBER/ LIONS CLUB

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# **CONSTRUCTION UPDATES**

## Archer Avenue Interchange Project



To accommodate the rebuilding and widening of the Central Tri-State Tollway (--294), the Illinois Tollway will reconstruct and improve several ramps and bridges providing access to Archer Avenue, including construction of the new ramp connecting westbound Archer Avenue to Northbound 1-294. Work to be completed in 2021 will include the start of work to reconstruct the ramp connecting eastbound Archer Avenue to southbound I-204, as well as the construction of a new ramp that will connect westbound Archer Avenue to northbound I-204. Work is also schedule to be completed on

the reconstruction of the Archer Avenue Bridges over I-204, which include drainage, lighting improvements and landscaping. Construction began in spring of 2020 and is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2022.

## **Roberts Road/87th Street I-294 Bridge Reconstruction Project**

The IL Tollway has started reconstructing the I-294 bridge located at 87th Street and Roberts Road. In 2021 the Southbound side will be constructed and the Northbound side construction will begin in 2022. Once the IL Tollway complete the bridge, the Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways

will reconstruct the complete intersection at 87th Street and Roberts Road. Cook County anticipates beginning the reconstruction of the intersection in 2023.

#### 88th/Cork Avenue Interchange Project

The long-envisioned 88th/Cork Avenue interchange on the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) in Justice will unlock new access and relieve congestion in the area. The goals of the 88th/Cork Avenue Interchange Project are to create access to and from I-294, improve flow of traffic, reduce congestion and foster economic development and job creation in the southwest region. The project includes construction of a new northbound exit ramp from i-294 to 88th/Cork Avenue and a southbound entrance ramp from 88th/Cork Avenue at 79th Street and Archer Road. The new interchange is designed to be compatible with a new northbound I-294 entrance ramp from southbound Archer Avenue scheduled to be constructed by the Illinois Tollway as part of the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Project. The new ramps will also allow for consolidation of local southbound entrance ramps from Archer Avenue on the new 88th/Cork entrance ramp location. In partnership with the Illinois Tollway and Illinois Department of Transportation , the



village of Justice is leading the project's design and Cook County will be constructing the project improvements. The Village of Justice and Cook County have partnered together and collaborated with the Illinois Tollway to receive a grant from Illinois Competitive Freight Program for \$1.8 million to be used for right-of-way acquisition for construction of the new interchange. The project is compatible with Cook County's long-range invest in Cook Initiative to encourage business development and growth by improving freight and traffic connections across the county. The new interchange will be part of the enterprise zone created by the Village of Justice and

will encourage new construction and support job creation in the village, as well as opening up an entryway to Justice and other surrounding communities to relieve traffic congestion and provide easier access to local/regional destinations.

# **JUSTICE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS**



Our children's summer reading program, Reading Colors Your World, begins June 12th and will



# Blue Star Taqueria & Margarita

Blue Star Taqueria and Margarita bar is a concept created to provide house made authentic tacos served with a variety of homemade salsas of varying spices levels, homemade tortillas, cheeses, and more, all made with the freshest ingredients!With our classically trained team we use the love of Mexican cuisine and other Latin spices to produce tacos that are a celebration of Latin flavors in your mouth. Some menu highlights include: Our Blue Star Taco, which is a delicious beef batter cod, served with slaw, PIco de Gallo, and chipotle ranch in a blue corn tortilla. We also offer a unique vegetarian taco with fried Brussel sprouts, black beans, roasted corn, and roasted pumpkin seeds.

Blue Star Tacos elevates the flavors and presentation of our products. The menu includes tacos, burrito bowls, burritos, quesadillas, soups, handmade tortillas and chips, accompanied by four fresh made salsas varying in spice levels. We look forward to serving you and making you a part of the Blue Star community!

- Sandy Maldonado-Martinez Marketing Director/Partner





Campers are divided into groups according to age with designated leaders. Activities are based around weekly themes with arts & crafts, music, games and more.

Week#	Dates	Monday - Friday
01	6/14 - 6/18	9am - 3pm
02	6/21 - 6/25	Ages: 6-12
03	6/28 - 7/02	Fee Per Week: Residents \$79
04	7/06 - 7/09	Non Residents \$80
05	7/12 - 7/16	
06	7/19 - 7/23	
07	7/26 - 7/30	
08	8/02 - 8/06	

# **Before & After Camp**

## Before Camp

Monday - Friday 7:30am - 9am Ages: 6-12 Fee Per Week: Residents \$25 Non Residents \$30

run through July 24th. Family members may read to very young children, so every child from birth to 8th grade graduates can participate. You don't need to have a Justice Public Library card to join, either. You just need to check out the books for the program at our library (or you can read them in library). And not just books! eBooks, audiobooks, magazines, and comic books also count toward reading goals.

While in-person programming is still on hold, we will have some "take and make" crafts for participants to make at home. As always, for each week's reading goal met, the reader will receive a small prize and an entry form for the grand prize drawing. Sign-up begins on June 12th and each child will receive instructions, a reading log, and some goodies when they join. The drawing for the grand prize – and other great prizes – will be held on Monday, July 26th. Winners need not be present to win. Call 708-496-1790 or visit https://justicepubliclibrary.com/ for more details.

Child must be registered for Fun in the Sun to participate in the Before Camp.

## After Camp

Child must be registered for Fun in the Sun to participate in the Before Camp Monday - Friday 3pm - 6pm Ages: 6-12 Fee Per Week: Residents \$37 Non Residents \$42

A-1 Fasteners Inc 708-458-7401 Anagnos Door Company, LLC 708-728-9000 Andy's Auto Electronics 708-372-2394 Beahan Oil 708-458-1068 Betcher Landscaping & Lawn Care, Inc. 708-458-7111 Bethania Cemetery 708-458-2270 Blue Star Taqueria & Margarita Bar 708-907-5890 Cable Electric Co. 708-458-8900 Czarnik Memorials, Inc. 708-458-4443 D & R Hauling Inc 630-514-9766 Davern's Tavern & Lounge 708-924-6003

Digital Aerial Solutions, LLC 773-505-3408 Dunkin' Donuts, Justice 708-497-2325 E & M Food & Liquor 708-594-1619 Fasano's Pizza 708-598-6971 The Flower Shop, Ltd. 708-458-0788 Gateway Truck & Refrigeration 708-563-7090 Great Lakes Vending Corp. 708-839-1500 Hills Drug, Justice 708-594-3000 Indian Springs School District #109 708-496-8700 Justax 773-767-2839 Justice Animal Clinic 708-599-4800 Justice Discount Food Store 708-598-3000 Justice Lions Club 312-788-0325 Justice Public Library District 708-496-1790 Justice Park District 708-458-1370 Justice-Willow Springs Water Comm. 708-458-7010 Kelly Rosales, Real Estate Broker 312-788-0325 Kustom Towing, Inc. 708-496-8989 Lucky Slot Lounge (708) 929-4029 Midwest Business Consulting LLC 708-571-3401 Minuteman Press 708-598-4915 Moraine Valley Community College 708-974-5407

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERS LIST 2021** 

New City Window Cleaning, Inc. 708-594-1988 Olsick & Company Insurance 630-325-9199 Paradigm Consulting Services, Inc. 773-319-7392 Roberts Park Fire Protection Dist. 708-598-6752 SMS Solutions Specialists, Inc 708-717-5127 State Farm Ins., Joanna Kierys Chlystek 708-563-7535 Technicraft Collision Repair Experts, LLC 708-430-1177 Village of Justice 708-458-2520 Village View Publication, Inc. 708-425-1910 Village Voice Party 708-458-6857