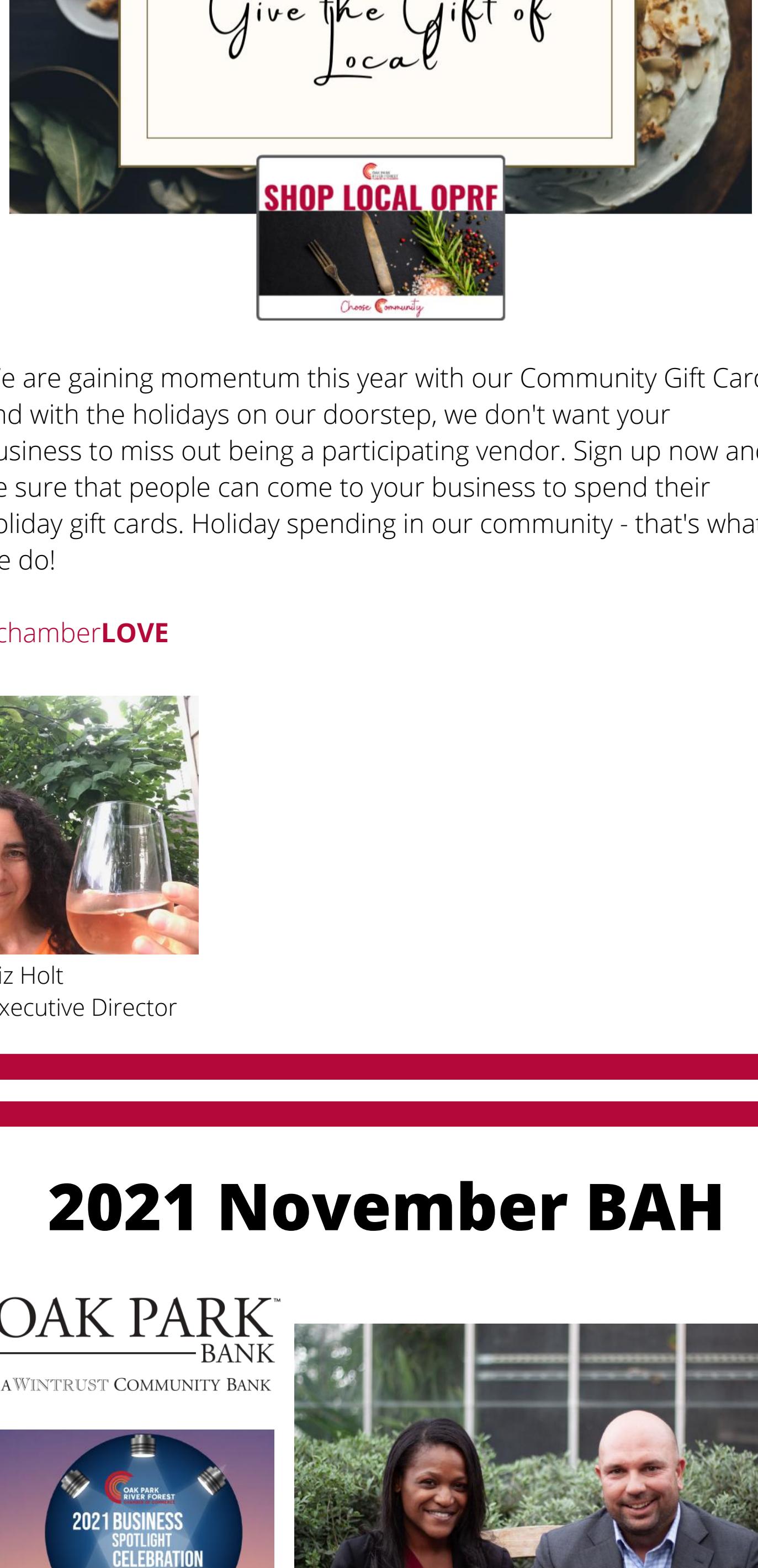


Support local



We are gaining momentum this year with our Community Gift Card and with the holidays on our doorstep, we don't want your business to miss out being a participating vendor. Sign up now and be sure that people can come to your business to spend their holiday gift cards. Holiday spending in our community - that's what we do!

#chamberLOVE



Liz Holt
Executive Director

2021 November BAH

OAK PARK BANK

A WINTRUST COMMUNITY BANK



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Tuesday November 9, 5-7pm

Join us at our regular monthly networking event, Business After Hours (BAH), on the second Tuesday of every month. All members and non-members are welcomed. (Members are free.)

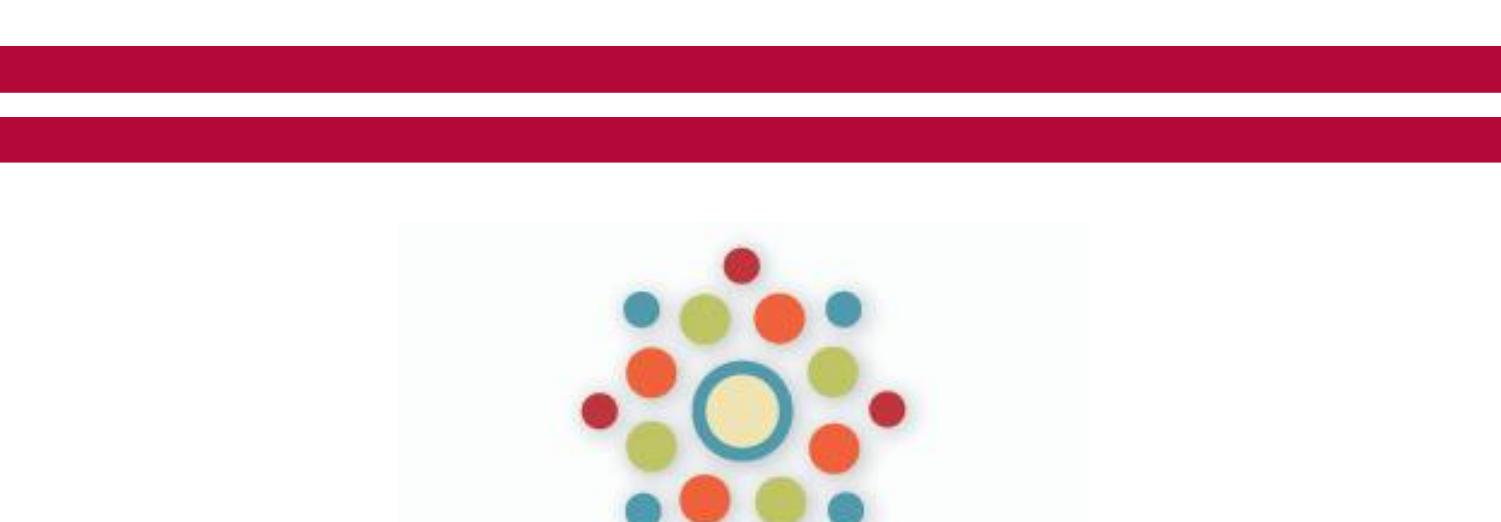
Our November Business After Hours (BAH) will be hosted by **Oak Park Bank**. Join us for a night of networking and hors d'oeuvres, and check out the repurposing of this space, while making connections for your business or organization!

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Member Benefits Series

Marketing Advantage Session

Perfect for new members and those who need a refresher.



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In this seminar we will go over all of your marketing benefits that come with your membership, including:

- how to maximize your e-blast benefits.

- the role of your Member Profile in your marketing advantage and how to track digital traffic.

- how to generate marketing collateral that can be shared in your social media.

- how to tap into our Affinity Groups to grow your network and feature your business.

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WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS

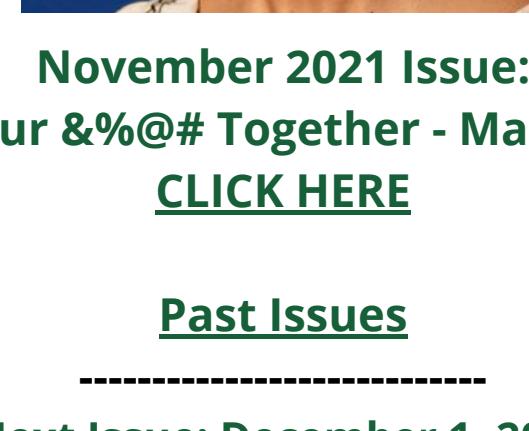


Welcome to the Chamber's newest project to help market and connect our member Health & Wellness businesses with clients, customers and community.

What are Wellness Wednesdays?

Wellness Wednesdays are a monthly e-newsletter that focuses on tapping into local expertise to support every-day health and well-being in our community.

Each month there will be one specific topic that is timely and relevant to the community.



**November 2021 Issue:
Keeping Your &%@# Together - Managing Stress
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Past Issues

Next Issue: December 1, 2021

"Surviving the Holidays: How to Stay Happy and Healthy"

[VENDOR REGISTRATION HERE](#)

DEADLINE Wed. 11/24/21



ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

**TAKE THE FIRST STATEWIDE
BLACK BUSINESS SURVEY**

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Office of Minority Economic Empowerment has joined the Chicago State University and the The Chicago Urban League to launch a new survey to collect feedback from Black and African American business owners across the state. The survey is aimed at capturing the challenges and opportunities small businesses are facing amid the pandemic and current economic climate. Through the survey, the State of Illinois and its economic development arm, DCEO, wants to learn about the pandemic resources that have helped businesses meet their needs and how to improve resource allocation, outreach and business related programs and services in the future.

To take the survey, go here:
https://www.csu.edu/collegeofbusiness/il_black_survey.htm