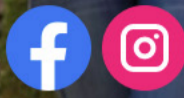




What's happening... in and around Oak Park



three fold. a bakery

A New Chapter in Every Layer: Welcome 3 Fold to Oak Park!

Oak Park's morning routine is about to get a major upgrade with the arrival of 3 Fold, a new bakery and coffee shop that feels like a warm embrace for the neighborhood. This isn't just another storefront; it's a masterclass in dough and detail brought to life by husband-and-wife duo Sara and Dimitri Fayard. With over 20 years of elite pastry experience under their belts, the Fayards are pooling their collective expertise to create a space where world-class technique meets local charm, ensuring every croissant and caffeine fix is served with a side of seasoned passion.

Beyond the exquisite pastries, 3 Fold represents a poignant milestone for the Fayard family. This venture marks Sara's much-anticipated return to the professional pastry world after stepping away to focus on raising their children at home. Her reentry, paired with Dimitri's refined craft, makes 3 Fold a true family project that celebrates both a love for the culinary arts and the beauty of new beginnings. Whether you're a connoisseur of fine laminations or just looking for a new favorite corner to sip your latte, join us in welcoming Sara and Dimitri back to the kitchen and into the heart of the Oak Park community.

For more information including store hours etc, please visit [here](#).

30th Annual Forest Park St. Patrick's Day Parade

Head on over to Forest Park for 1 pm on March 7, 2026 for the 30th Annual Forest Park St. Patrick's Day Parade. A fun-filled day in downtown Forest Park at the best St. Patrick's Day Parade in the western suburbs! 65+ entries include bagpipers, Proviso East Marching Band, Irish dancers, local business entries, Medinah Shriner parade units, police & fire departments & much more! The parade kicks off at 1 pm from Madison and Van Buren and travels east on Madison to Elgin. Grab your friends and join us!

The siren-free zone is from kick-off at Van Buren and Madison to Desplaines and Madison where emergency vehicles will travel without sirens or horns until they cross Desplaines.

Sip, sizzle, and swing during Jazz Thaw!

Shake off the winter chill and let the rhythm warm you up as Jazz Thaw returns to Downtown Oak Park! We're inviting you to sip, sizzle, and swing your way through the district for a weekend of incredible talent and vibrant energy. From cozy cafes to your favorite local eateries, enjoy FREE live jazz music at various establishments as we celebrate the soulful sounds of the season. Whether you're looking for a smooth afternoon backdrop or a high-energy evening beat, grab a drink, find a seat, and help us turn up the heat in the heart of downtown.

For the full schedule and more information, [click here](#).

The annual celebration of Woman Owned Business in the Oak Park Arts District!

Get ready to celebrate the creativity and entrepreneurial spirit of our community at WOW!, the annual showcase of Woman Owned Businesses in the vibrant Oak Park Arts District. Mark your calendars for a day dedicated to the local leaders and artisans who make our district unique! Attendees can look forward to a curated experience filled with exclusive sales and promotions, captivating live demos, and curated pop-up events around every corner. Whether you're hunting for fun giveaways and goodie bags or looking for family-friendly activities to enjoy with the kids, there is something for everyone to discover. Join us in supporting local and honoring the incredible women-led businesses that define the heart of the Arts District!

Saturday, March 14th. For more info [click here](#).

Brew Passport Tour

During this month-long celebration, try signature caffeinated drinks from local businesses and collect stamps for each new drink you try. The first 50 people to collect 5 or more stamps earn a travel coffee mug! Pick up a stamp card at any participating business. Turn in your stamp card to our office (1010 Lake Street, Suite 114; Hours Mon-Fri 10am-4pm) by May 1st to receive your mug.

[Click here](#) for a list of participating business'

