

THE CHAMBER NEWS



Thanks to Secretary of State Connie Lawson for speaking at our May membership meeting. Visit the new INbiz website: inbiz.gov. Pictured: President Fred Leep, Pleasant View Dairy; Secretary of State Connie Lawson and Chamber Director Mary Luptak.

###########Tour de HighlandGriffith JUNE • 11 • 2016 • 11am ₩₩₩₩₩₩₩₩₩₩₩

REGISTER TO RIDE THE BIKE TRAIL through Highland and Griffith and enjoy a cookout lunch from Texas Corral at the Wicker Park pavilion.

Cost is \$20, which includes lunch and drawstring bag. Bicycle Raffle by Ridge Cyclery, Chair Massages by Hall Chiropractic and Water Stop at Broad Street by Edward Jones-Shawn Graham.

Thank you to our Event Sponsors: Nipsco, Texas Corral and North Township Trustee Frank Mrvan. Thank you to our Tour Sponsors: Centier Bank, Edward Jones-Doug Lewis, First Midwest Bank, Pleasant View Dairy, Region Signs, Ridge Cyclery and Webb Hyundai.

Volunteer to direct and cheer the riders on.

Brochure inside or signmeup.com/114452.





SIGN UP TO GOLF, SPONSOR A HOLE OR DONATE A DOOR PRIZE.

Cost is still only \$100 for lunch, golf, cart, drink tickets, dinner, door prizes and cash prizes on every hole. Registration is at 11 am, shotgun start at Noon, buffet dinner at 4:30.

Hole Sponsorships are available for \$150, which includes sign, cash prize, program and newsletter acknowledgement.

Door prizes are welcomed and appreciated.

The Committee promises a great and fun event!

Registration form is attached.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

WALSH & KELLY, INC. 1700 East Main Street, Griffith Representative: John Wall, 924-5900 www.walshkelly.com Category: Paving

GRAND OPENINGS & RIBBON CUTTINGS

HIGHLAND OFFICE CENTER 2646 Highway Avenue, Wednesday, June 22. 4 - 7 pm Ribbon Cutting at 5:00 pm

HARTSFIELD VILLAGE 503 Otis Bowen Drive, Munster Thursday, June 23 4:30 - 7:00 pm Ribbon Cutting at 5:30 pm



Sanfratello's Pizza Ribbon Cutting! Pictured: Mary Luptak, Fred Leep, Pleasant View Dairy; and owners Joe Sanfratello, Sr. and Joe Sanfratello, Jr. Chamber Members enjoyed delicious pizza, appetizers and drinks. Visit the restaurant at 9400 Indianapolis Blvd., 922-1400.



Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance 8836 Kennedy Avenue, Ribbon Cutting. Pictured (I-r): William St. Clair, Christa Malone, Mary Jostes, Lorraine Brown, LeeAnn Yoder, Trisha Collings, Ken Moss, Michael Hanger, Rick Gubitz, James Rainbolt and Gary Van Kley. Chamber Members enjoyed refreshments and tours of their beautiful building.

CONGRATS
TO OUR
MEMBERS
GRAND
OPENINGS
AND
RIBBON
CUTTINGS

Down Syndrome Association of NW Indiana & Chicagoland, 2906 Highway Avenue, have a beautiful new 5,000 sq. ft. facility thanks to the generous support and work (\$400,000 in donations) from 80 organizations, labor unions and families. Pictured President Bill Buckley, Executive Director Dawn Buckley and daughter Addi.



Edward Jones Financial Representative Shawn Graham Cutting the ribbon on his new office at 1939 Glen Park Ave., Griffith. Cutting the ribbon with Shawn is Michelle Graham, Bryce Graham and Lori Rose, Admin. Asst. Son Shawn Jr. was performing with the Griffith High School Chorale.



CHAMBER MEMBER HAPPENINGS

Humane Society Calumet Area - Paws In The Park - Pet Parade & Vendor Fair - Saturday, June 4th, 9 AM to 2 PM, Main Square Park, 3001 Ridge Rd. Highland. Free Admission. For details www.hscalumet.org/pawsinthepark.

Highland Main Street - Downtown Highland Car Cruise - Saturday, June 4th, 4 PM to 8 PM on Highway Ave., Highland

Frank J. Mrvan, North Township Trustee - *Wicker Memorial Park Family Camp Out* - Friday, June 10th, 6 PM at Wicker Memorial Park. Camp set up starts at 5 PM. \$5.00 per tent. Reservations required. Call 219-923-2530 x 331

Griffith First Christian Church - <u>VBS 2016 Cave Quest</u> - June 13th through June 17th, 6 PM to 8 PM. 202 W Pine St., Griffith. Register at www.gfcc.net.

Frank J. Mrvan, North Township Trustee - <u>Run for Freedom 5K</u> - Thursday, June 23rd at 6:30 PM at Wicker Memorial Park. Register online at https://runsignup.com/Race/IN/Highland/NorthTownshipTrusteesRunforFreedom5K.

Frank J. Mrvan, North Township Trustee - <u>Wicker Memorial Park Summer Concert</u> - Thursday, June 16th The Crawpuppies, Thursday, June 23rd Hairbangers Ball, Thursday, June 30th Gone 2 Paradise. Admission per concert \$7.00. Showtime 7:30 - 10:30 PM.

Highland Parks and Recreation Concert Series - Main Square Park, Thursdays at 7 pm, Free Admission, June 2 Community Band, June 9 Neverly Brothers, June 16 Wild Daisy, June 23 Meet the Beetles.

Humane Society Calumet Area - <u>Baby Shower and Adoption Event</u> - Saturday, June 18th 12 PM to 4 PM at 421 45h Ave., Munster. Guests to the baby shower and open house are asked to bring a gift from the wish lists. The full wish list is available at www.hscalumet.org/wishlist.asp. Adoption fees will be waived for all adult cats and dogs during this event.

Humane Society Calumet Area - <u>Birthday for the Animals</u> - Thursday, June 23rd at 4:30 PM. The public is invited to help us distribute toys, treats, and blankets. For more information, contact the adoption center at 219.922.3811.

Crossroads YMCA - <u>12th Annual Golf Outing</u> - Monday, June 27th at Briar Ridge Country Club. 10 AM Registration, Shotgun Start at 11 AM. \$125/golfer or \$500/ foursome. For more info call: Crossroads YMCA at 219 750 1082.

CONGRATULATIONS to our Chamber Members voted for The Times "BEST OF THE REGION 2016"

ALBERT'S DIAMOND JEWELERS

Best Jewelry Store 2nd Best Customer Service

ALLEN LANDSCAPE IN HIGHLAND

Best Landscaper Best Garden/Nursery Store

ANYTIME FITNESS

3rd Best Gym/Health Club

ASHLEY FURNITURE

Best Furniture Store

BOSAK CHRYSLER/HONDA

2nd Best New Car Dealer 2nd Best Used Car Dealer

BRIDGES SCOREBOARD

2nd Best Chicken Wings 3rd Best Bar

CENTER FOR VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Best Place for Brunch 2nd Best Banquet Facility 3rd Best Live Entertainment Venue

CENTIER

Best Bank Best Place to Work Best Financial Advisor Best Customer Service

CHASE

2nd Best Bank

CHRISTIANSON CHEVROLET

3rd Best Used Car Dealer

COLDWELL BANKER

2nd Best Real Estate Company

COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Best Hospital 2nd Best Urgent Care 3rd Best Physical Therapy

CULVER'S

2nd Best Ice Cream

EASY CLEAN CAR WASH

2nd Best Car Wash

ELEGANCE WEDDING & EVENING WEAR

Best Bridal/Formal Wear

GELSOSOMO'S PIZZERIA

2nd Best Pizza 3rd Best Family Restaurant

GRINDHOUSE CAFÉ

2nd Best Coffee 2nd Best Sandwich 3rd Best Place for Lunch

HARTSFIELD VILLAGE

Best Retirement/Assisted Living Community

HIGHLAND JEWELERS

2nd Best Jewelry Store

HOBSON & SCOTT REMODELING

3rd Best Roofer

HUMANE SOCIETY CALUMET AREA

Best Place to Volunteer

LANGEL'S PIZZA

3rd Best Pizza

LEVIN TIRE CENTER

Best Car Repair Shop Best Tire Store

MASSAGE ENVY

3rd Best Spa

MEYERS COMPANIES

Best Electrician 2nd Best Heating & Cooling 3rd Best Plumber

MINER-DUNN

3rd Best Hamburgers

OAK PARTNERS

2nd Best Financial Advisor

OIL EXPRESS

3rd Best Oil Change

PEOPLES BANK

3rd Best Bank 3rd Best Financial Advisor

PLAZA LANES

3rd Best Bowling Alley

PURDUE NORTHWEST

Best Adult Education Best College/University

REGIONAL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

2nd Best Credit Union

ROUND THE CLOCK

Best Family Restaurant 2nd Best Place for Breakfast 2nd Best Place for Brunch

STRACK & VAN TIL

Best Caterer Best Grocery Store 3rd Best Customer Service 3rd Best Bakery

TAUBER LAW OFFICES

Best Law Office

THEO'S STEAK & SEAFOOD

2nd Best Seafood 2nd Best Chef Urgel Haro

3 FLOYDS BREWPUB

Best Microbrewery

WALGREENS

Best Pharmacy

GRIFFITH

3rd Best DOWNTOWN

JUNE CHAMBER CALENDAR

- 7 Board of Directors Meeting, 8:30 am, Mansards Conference Room, Griffith
- 11 Tour de HighlandGriffith Bike Ride, 11 am
- 14 Chamber Golf Outing Meeting, 8 am
- 14 Membership Meeting, Knights of Columbus Please RSVP to the Chamber office
- 16 Coffee Hour, Grindhouse Café, 8 am 146 N. Broad, Griffith, 923-3666
- 19 Happy Father's Day
- 22 Highland Office Center Grand Opening, 4 7 pm Ribbon Cutting 5 pm, For more info 219-501-6905
- 23 Hartsfield Village Grand Opening, 4:30 7 pm Ribbon Cutting 5:30 pm RSVP BY JUNE 17TH to 219-934-0590

Griffith Central Market - Fridays 3-9 pm, Central Park Music, hand crafted wares, food and local brewed ales.

Highland Street Market - Saturdays 9 am - 1 pmMain Square Park. Contact 838-0114

CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 14
Knights of Columbus
1400 S. Broad Street, Griffith Cost \$15
Speaker: John Petalas
Lake County Auditor

Featured Vendor Tricoci University

Please RSVP to the Chamber, 923-3666 info@highlandchamber.com byJune 13

CHAMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 11 - Tour de Highland Griffith

July 22 - Chamber Golf Outing

September - Chamber Night Golf

October - Griffith Pub Crawl

October 11 - New Member Presentations

November 11 - Veterans Day Ceremony

December 13 - Acknowledging Members

2016 HIGHLAND/GRIFFITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Fred Leep, Pleasant View Dairy
Vice President: Susie Pollard, Centsible Heating & Cooling
Treasurer: Patricia Makarounas, Regional Federal Credit Union
Secretary: Shawn Graham, Edward Jones Investments
Past President: Carrie Upchurch, Teachers Credit Union

Michelle Anderson, First Financial Bank Amy Conn, Crestview Apartments Katy Dowling, Griffith Public Schools Bob Johnson, Liberty Floors & Windows Gabe Mauch, Grindhouse Café Rich Miller, Spitz & Miller Insurance Cindy Rivera, North Township Trustee Office Sue Woodall, Chicago Title Insurance Kimberly Blaesing, Tiger Plumbing Margie Dian, First Financial Bank LaRae Dykstra, Metro Recycling Joe Koranek, Centier Bank Gary Miller, Prompt Ambulance Service Kathleen Reed, First Midwest Bank Joe Starkey, Oak Partners, Inc.

The Highland/Griffith Chamber of Commerce offers many advertisement opportunities:

NEWSLETTER: Ads are \$30/month, and must purchase 3 months or more. Our Newsletter is emailed to over 350 Chamber Members each month.

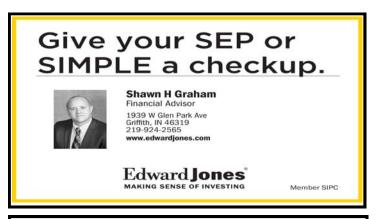
FEATURE FRIDAY FLYERS: Send out a flyer for your business, upcoming event or advertised special for \$50, and receive a Facebook post from the Chamber promoting your flyer. FFF are emailed to over 350 Chamber Members.

WELCOME BAGS FOR NEW RESIDENTS: \$25 for 125 items (coupons, flyers, magnets, pens) to introduce your business to new residents when they sign up for water at Town Hall.

CHAMBER MEMBER HAPPENINGS: Weekly email to Chamber Members announcing non-profit events or free seminars from Chamber Members.

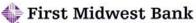








THANK YOU! 2016 TOUR SPONSORS



















BROAD STREET WATER STOP SPONSOR

Shawn Graham **Edward Jones Financial Advisor**

SPONSOR THE RIDE!

TOUR ROUTE SIGN

Includes business logo on a 18 x 24 inch sign placed along the bike route and a mention in the Chamber News.

CONTACT NAME

BUSINESS NAME
PHONE
- EMAIL
SPONSORSHIP AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$
Cash, Checks, Visa or Mastercard

VOLUNTEER ON THE COURSE!

Sign up to Volunteer to give directions and cheer the riders along the bike course.

HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce 8536 Kennedy Avenue, Highland, IN 46322

THANK YOU!

TOUR DE HIGHLANDGRIFFITH SPONSORS





Receive \$5 Off \$25 on Your Next Meal!

Texas Corral

9200 Indianapolis Blvd.

Highland, IN 46322

(219) 838-4940

Hours of Operation

Sun-Thur: 11am-10pm

Fri-Sat: 11am-11pm

Valid beginning June 11, 2016 to September 1, 2016. Dine in only. Alcohol and gratuity not included. Cannot be combined with other offers or discounts.



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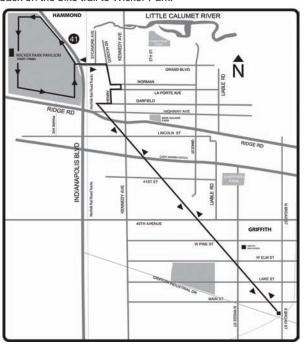
The Routes

There are three routes which begin and end at the Wicker Park Pavilion, which is on the northwest side of the park. The **2.2 mile ride** stays within Wicker Park. The **7.6 mile ride** goes to 45th Ave. and the **10.7 mile ride** goes to Broad St. in Griffith.

From the Wicker Park Pavilion head south and follow the Wicker Park bike/walking trail east around the park to the bike tunnel that goes under Indianapolis Blvd. and connects to the bike trail. Turn right and take the bike trail south to Grand Blvd. turn right onto Gordon Dr., follow Gordon Dr. to Norman St. turn right onto the detour to La Porte Ave. turn right, follow La Porte Ave. to Henry St. turn left to Garfield Ave. turn right to detour to bike trail. Follow the bike trail through downtown and past Highland High School to 45th Avenue and cross 45th and continue to Broad St. in Griffith.

For a **10.7** mile ride continue to Broad St. in Griffith turn around and continue back on the bike trail to Wicker Park.

For a **7.6** mile ride turn around at 45th Ave. and continue back on the bike trail to Wicker Park.



QUESTIONS? Call the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce at 923-3666 or email info@highlandchamber.com.

Prefer to apply online? Go to www.signmeup.com / 114452

Ride Rain or Shine!

Check-in begins at 10am at the Wicker Park Pavilion on the northwest end of the park. The bike ride will start promptly at 11am and is expected to last at least 60 minutes. Cookout lunch will begin after riders return.

Safety

Safety for all participants is the prime concern for everyone. Obey all traffic laws and regulations because the bike route is not a closed course. The course will be open to vehicle traffic on the roads. We suggest using bike helmets, water bottles and wearing light clothing for general visibility and safety. Be safe—Be seen!

Get your bike in perfect mechanical working order. We will provide a well-marked route, but it is up to YOU to obey the rules of the road. For your own safety as well as the safety of the cyclists, remember to stop at stop signs, yield right of way and stay to the right (single file).

Highland and Griffith Police will be available to assist cyclists crossing major intersections.

This is a chance for area residents to enjoy a day of bicycling through our hometowns. This is not a race or a test of stamina. It is intended all participants ride the tour in a safe and intelligent manner. You should be in good physical shape and able to bicycle either the 7.6 or 10.7 miles.

After the Ride

Lunch provided by Texas Corral and music will be provided at the registration site. (You must be wearing the wrist band to receive food). Friends and families may join you for lunch for \$5 (they will be given a wrist band upon payment).

MAIL OR BRING this form with ENTRY FEE to: HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce 8536 Kennedy Avenue, Highland, IN 46322

REGISTER TO RIDE!

EARLY sign up thru June 1, 2016 \$15 per rider Includes drawstring bag and lunch **\$5 Children** age 10 & under

LATE sign up June 2 - June11*
\$20 per rider *Bags available while supplies last

Tour De HighlandGrifiith t-shirts will be available to purchase for \$10 the day of the event.

Please list all participants names individual	
NAMES (Please Print)	Ag

BICYCLE RAFFLE Sponsored By Ridge Cyclery, Inc. Enter to win your very own bicycle! Tickets can be purchased at the event for \$5 or 5 for \$20. Drawing will be done at lunch.

TOTAL REGISTRATION ENCLOSED: \$

Checks payable to HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce

Release of Organizers and Sponsors

In signing this form for myself or the above named participant (if he/she is under 18) participant shall absolutely and unconditionally indemnify, release and hold North Township, its elected officials, employees, the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce, its officials, employees, members, any volunteer, volunteer organization, sponsors, organizers assisting in the Tour de HighlandGriffith Bicycle Ride, township's representatives, successors and assigns, be they individuals or organization, singularly and collectively, harmless, whether acting in the course of the Tour de HighlandGriffith Bicycle Ride or otherwise, against any losses, claims, demands judgments, fines, costs, expenses of any kind or nature whatsoever, damages liabilities (including without limitation claims for personal injury or property or environmental damage, inconvenienced suffered, claims or damages payable to participant) and all suits, actions, or proceedings, at law or in equity and from any and all claims, demands, losses, judgments, fines, penalties, except to the extent air claims, defined and direct gross negligence of the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce. Participant shall notify the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce promptly of any such suit, claim or proceeding and shall give the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce authority, information, and assistance (at Participant's expense) for the defense of the same. Participant further agrees to indemnify the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce for any attorney's fee or other costs that the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce incurs or which may arise out of, result from or be reasonably incurred in the event that the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce has to file a lawsuit to enforce any indemnity or additional insured

Must be signed by a responsible party (18+) to participate.

RESPONSIBLE PARTY (Please Print)
SIGNATURE
PHONE

EMAIL* Required for updates, receipts and/or reminders





2016 GOLF OUTING

Friday, July 22, 2016

11 am - Registration & Lunch Noon Shotgun Start

WICKER PARK GOLF COURSE

Indianapolis Blvd & Ridge Road, Highland, IN 46322

COST IS \$100 PER PERSON

This price includes lunch, golf, cart, dinner, drink tickets and golf balls

AND \$25 cash prize on every hole, Door Prizes and Cash payoffs for 1st and 2nd place teams.

Driving Range and Chair Massages available before golfing

HOLE SPONSORSHIPS

available for \$150

(Includes Sign and Program Recognition, and provides \$25 cash prize)

<u>DOOR PRIZES</u>

or a \$25 donation to purchase a door prize are welcomed and acknowledged in the Program and Newsletter Call 923-3666

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