

# THE CHAMBER NEWS



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## Sign up for the Tour de Highland Griffith

The Chamber's annual family friendly bike ride is on Saturday, June 11, starting and ending at Wicker Park Pavilion.

There are three routes available - 2.2 mile, 7.6 mile and 10.7 mile using the bike trail.

Early registration through June 1 is \$15 and includes a drawstring bag and cookout lunch provided by Texas Corral. There will be a bicycle sponsored by Ridge Cyclery and Tour de Highland Griffith t shirts available to purchase for \$10.

Tour Route Signs along the route to promote your business are available for \$100.

Volunteers are welcome to direct the riders and cheer them on. Brochure inside.



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

### HARTSFIELD VILLAGE

10000 Columbia Avenue, Munster  
Representatives: Laura Carpenter  
and Roseanne Loughmiller, 934-0750x202  
rosanneloughmiller@comhs.org  
Category: Non Profit Organization

### RENOVAR DESIGN

100 S. Broadway, Griffith, 613-1076  
Representative: Jenny Tomson  
Jenny.renovardesign2gmail.com  
Category: Retail  
Recommended by: Susie Pollard

### SANFRATELLO'S RESTAURANT

9400 Indianapolis Boulevard, Highland  
Representative: Vicki Moore, 922-1400  
vicki@sanfratellospizza.com  
Recommended by: Sue Woodall

### WILD BIRDS UNLIMITED

138 US Highway 41, Schererville  
Representative: Carol Harsh, 319-0126  
wbuschererville@gmail.com  
Category: Retail/Hobby Shop  
Recommended by: Carrie Upchurch



**Ribbon Cutting for Lynn's Furniture, 709 US Highway 41, Schererville.** Thank you to Scott Lynn, Mitch Lynn, Lydia Lynn, Amber Lynn, Mike Carlson, Kathy Williams, Kathy Riesterer, and Kathy Fraley.



### **THANKS TACO MEET & GREET COMMITTEE**

Chair Susie Pollard, Centsible Heating & Cooling  
Margie Dian, First Financial Bank; Katy Dowling, Griffith Public Schools; Gabe Mauch, Grindhouse Café; Patricia Makarounas, Regional Federal Credit Union; Carl Zurbriggen, Crossroads YMCA  
Chamber staff Tammy Williams and Mary Luptak, for running a great community event.

**THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS:** Asada Grill & Cantina for providing delicious tacos, Blythes, Bootleg Liquors; Cakes By Karen, Centsible Heating & Cooling; Edward Jones Investments -Shawn Graham, Lady's Gourmet Popcorn and Strack & Van Til.

**THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS:** Rich Miller, Spitz & Miller/White & Havens; Trish Melchor, First Midwest Bank; Griffith National Honor Students, Griffith YMCA, Pollard Family, Treasured Friends. Special thanks to the Griffith Police Department for their support and proving canine demonstrations.

**THANKS** to all who supported a great cause. Proceeds benefited the Griffith Animal Shelter.

### **CHAMBER MEMBER HAPPENINGS**

**Carpri's Pizza** will donate 10% of all orders on May 4 to the National Niemann Pick Disease Foundation in honor of 12 year old Schererville resident Kailey.

**Highland Police Memorial** on Saturday, May 7, 9:00 am, Highland Police Station. Contact 838-3184.

**Treasured Friends & Griffith Animal Control** - DONATE YOUR SOLES FUNDRAISER - until May 15th. Donate your gently worn or new shoes for a good cause. Donations may be dropped off at: Griffith Police Dept., 115 N. Broad Street, or Meinzer & Babineaux Law Office, 10115 Ravenwood Drive, St. John.

**Allen Landscaping** - MAKE A MINI FLOWER POT FOR MOM - Sat., May 7th at 10 AM, 2539 45th St., Highland. Kids will get to decorate and plant a mini flower pot for Mom just in time for Mother's Day.

**Humane Society Calumet Area** - GRAND REOPENING - Sat., May 7th - 12 PM to 5:30 PM Adoption fees will be waived for adult cats and dogs. Visit [www.hscalumet.org](http://www.hscalumet.org) for more information.

**IU Northwest Student Nurses Assoc.** - NURSES NIGHT OUT AGAINST HUNGER - Sat., May 7th - 6 PM to 10 PM, Highland Elks, 3120 45th St., Proceeds benefit the Food Bank of Northwest Indiana, To purchase tickets, email [dehandle@iemail.iu.edu](mailto:dehandle@iemail.iu.edu) or call 219.213.1746. Tickets \$25

**NorthShore Health Centers** - WE ARE WILD ABOUT MOM'S - Tue., May 10th—11 AM to 1 PM, Bellaboo's Play & Discovery Center, 2800 Colorado St., Lake Station. RSVP to NWI Family Support—NorthShore Health Centers or [mhigel2@northshorehealth.org](mailto:mhigel2@northshorehealth.org)

**Humane Society Calumet Area** - ANNUAL SPRING BOOK SALE - Wed., May 10th through Sat., May 14th, Paws Resale, 8149 Kennedy Ave. For more info call 219.513.8911.

**NorthShore Health Centers** - TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR DIABETES - Tue., May 17th at 1 PM at Lake Station Medical Conference Room, 2490 Central Ave., Lake Station. For more info call 219.763.8112.

**NWI Parkinsons** - STYLE SHOW & DINNER - Thu., May 19th at 5:30 PM at Avalon Manor, 3550 US 30, Merrillville. For more info or tickets call 219-237-2342, or email: [director@NWIParkinson.org](mailto:director@NWIParkinson.org) Tickets \$60

**Highland Main Street** - DOWNTOWN HIGHLAND CAR CRUISE - Sat. June 4th - 4 PM to 8 PM, Highway Ave. Highland between Kennedy and 5th.

## GRAND OPENINGS – RIBBON CUTTINGS

Please welcome and network with our Members at their new locations.

**Sanfratello's**, 9400 Indianapolis Boulevard  
Tuesday, May 17  
Pizza Ribbon Cutting at 5:00 pm

**Down Syndrome Association of NW Indiana & Chicagoland**, 2906 Highway Avenue  
Thursday, May 19, 6:00 - 8:00 pm  
Ribbon cutting 6:30 pm

**Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance**, 8836 Kennedy  
Wednesday, May 25, Open House 11 – 1  
Ribbon cutting 11:30 am

**Edward Jones Investments-Shawn Graham**  
1939 Glen Park Avenue  
Thursday, May 26, Grand Opening 3:00 - 7:00 pm

### HighlandGriffith Chamber Golf Outing

When: Friday, July 22  
Where: Wicker Park Golf Course

\$100 per person  
Includes: Golf, Lunch, Dinner, Cart,  
Drink Tickets, Golf Balls, AND \$25 Cash  
Prize entry on every hole. Door Prizes  
and Cash Payoffs for 1st & 2nd Place  
Teams!

11 AM Registration & Lunch  
NOON Shotgun Start



Hole Sponsorships to promote your business are available  
for \$150, which includes \$25 cash prize.  
Donate a Door Prize  
Include your business card to promote your business or  
donate \$25 for the Chamber to purchase an item .

### NEW ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

Vendor Table Space to promote our Chamber Member Businesses is available for the May 10 Membership Meeting. Cost is \$75 and includes a Feature Friday flyer and Facebook advertising Post. Contact the Chamber office, 923-3666.

### MAY CHAMBER CALENDAR

- 3 Board of Directors Meeting, 8:30 am, YMCA
- 7 Highland Police Memorial, 9:00 am
- 10 Chamber Membership Meeting, Wicker Park  
Please RSVP to the Chamber office
- 17 Sanfratello's Ribbon Cutting, 5:00 pm
- 18 Tour de Highland Griffith Meeting, 10 am  
Chamber office, 923-3666
- 18 Highland High School Honors Night, 6 pm
- 19 Coffee Hour, Grindhouse Café, 8 am  
146 N. Broad, Griffith, 923-3666
- 19 Down Syndrome Ribbon Cutting, 6-8 pm
- 19 Griffith High School Honors Night, 7 pm
- 25 Indiana Farm Bureau Ribbon Cutting, 11:30

### 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

### CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**TUESDAY, MAY 10**  
**WICKER PARK SOCIAL CENTER**  
8544 Indianapolis, Cost \$15

**Speaker: Secretary of State**  
**Connie Lawson**

**Featured Vendor Table Available**

**Please RSVP to the Chamber office**  
**info@highlandchamber.com or**  
**923-3666 by May 9**



## 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.

Kuiper Funeral Home  
9039 Kleinman, 923-7800



David Peterson  
Leonard Gregorczyk  
Shelia Kirby

**Looking for direction  
in this volatile market?**



**Shawn H Graham**  
Financial Advisor  
8415 Kennedy Ave  
Highland, IN 46322  
219-923-1482  
[www.edwardjones.com](http://www.edwardjones.com)

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Member SIPC



HighlandGriffith  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
*Promoting Good Business*

**2016 GOLF OUTING**  
Friday . July 22, 2016  
NOON SHOTGUN START, Wicker Park  
\$100 to Golf \$150 for Hole Sponsorships

**ADVERTISE  
YOUR  
BUSINESS  
HERE**

## THANK YOU! 2016 TOUR SPONSORS



### BROAD STREET WATER STOP SPONSOR

Shawn Graham  
Edward Jones Financial Advisor

### SPONSOR THE RIDE!

TOUR ROUTE SIGN \$100

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.

HIGHLANDGRIFFITH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
8536 Kennedy Avenue, Highland, IN 46322  
219-923-3666  
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# Tour de HighlandGriffith

JUNE 11 2016  
11am  
Wicker Park Pavilion

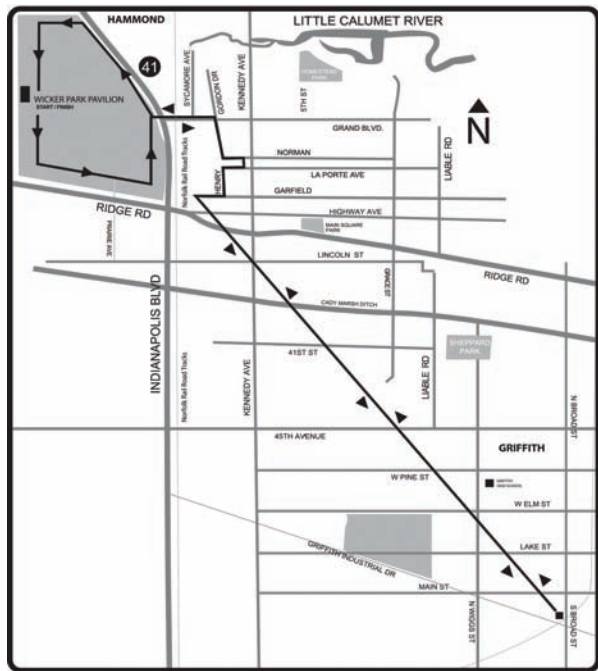
## The Routes

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](mailto:info@highlandchamber.com).**

Prefer to apply online? Go to  
**[www.signmeup.com / 114452](http://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 - June 11\***  
**\$20 per rider** \*Bags available while supplies last

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

**Please list all participants names individually.**

NAMES (Please Print) Age

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**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, inconveniences 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 attributable to sole 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 provision.

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

RESPONSIBLE PARTY (Please Print)

SIGNATURE

PHONE

EMAIL\* Required for updates, receipts and/or reminders