



THE CHAMBER NEWS



Our Chamber always supports our Members, Buy Local, Promote Good Business and Shop Small. The Small Business Saturday promotion sponsored by American Express has lots of fun items to share with your business.

There are tote bags, balloons, stickers, posters, pens and pennants to use and display. We will have them available at our November 8 Meeting.

If you would like to participate, let us know and we can deliver supplies or they can be picked up at the chamber office. Call 923-3666.



CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2017 will be mailed the first week in December.

Thanks for your continued support of the Chamber and Promoting Good Business.

All members will be thanked as renewing members in our January, February and March Newsletters. Dues paid by December 31 will receive a complimentary lunch coupon.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

McCOLLY REAL ESTATE
Julie MacDonald - Broker/Agent
2000 - 45th Street, Highland, 201-6024
julie.macdonald@mccolly.com
www.mccolly.com

RAPID PEST SOLUTIONS
32 Ridge Road, Munster, 836-5066
Representative: Wayne Ritenour
wayne@rapidpestsolutions.com
www.rapidpestsolutions.com

VYTO'S PHARMACY and HOME HEALTH SOLUTIONS
3100 - 45th Street, Highland, 228-7200
Representative: Nathan Damasius
pharmacy@vytospharmacy.com
www.vytospharmacy.com

**Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening
Vyto's Pharmacy 45th Street Location**

WELCOME TO THE CHAMBER'S NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Christie DeHaan, Zamudio Law Professionals

Robyn Pokropinski, Pokro Brewing Company

Sylvia Torbica, United Federal Credit Union

The Chamber is proud to have them serve on Board from January 2017 - December 2019.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES

To reflect the merged Chamber, we have updated email addresses. Please change your records to:

mary@highlandgriffithchamber.com
assistant@highlandgriffithchamber.com
info@highlandgriffithchamber.com

The current @highlandchamber.com addresses are still in effect, but will eventually be phased out.



With Sympathy

Our Chamber will miss Carl Wolak and Jay Zandsta, who were great members, volunteers and community friends. Carl was owner of Calumet Ace Hardware, served as 1972 Chamber President and on the Board of Directors. Jay was founder of Zandstra's Store for Men and Dunhill Formal Wear, and served on the Board of Directors. They will always be remembered for their kindness and generosity. Our thoughts and prayers to the Dian, Wolak, Krooswyk and Zandstra families.

CHAMBER MEMBER HAPPENINGS

Fair Haven Center for Women - Supply Drive - Through Wednesday, Nov. 30th. Please help support their efforts with a donation of gift cards or items. For more info call Shana Robertson 219-961-4357 or email shana@asafeport.org.

NWI Parkinsons - 2nd Annual Dinner/Dance - Friday, Nov. 4th - 6PM to 11:30PM - Avalon Manor, Merrillville. Tickets \$85.00 per person. For more info call 219-237-2342 or email: nwiparkinson@comcast.net.

NWI Parkinsons - 50 cc Moped Scooters Raffle - Tickets are \$20 each, 3 for \$50 or 6 for \$100 and available at the NWI Parkinson Office, 2927 Jewett Ave., Highland. For more info call 219-237-2342 or email: nwiparkinson@comcast.net.

Humane Society Calumet Area - Pancake Breakfast - Saturday, Nov. 5th - 8AM to 12PM - St. James Church, 9640 Kennedy Ave., Highland. Adults \$8, Children (age 3 - 7) \$5 under 3 eat free. Tickets available at HSCA Adoption Center, 421 45th Munster, Paws Resale Shoppe, 8149 Kennedy Ave., Highland. For more info call 219-513-8911.

Girls on the Run of NWI - Fall 5K - Saturday, Nov. 5th - 8AM Festivities begin, 10AM 5K Start - Kesling Middle School, LaPorte. Register for the 5K online at www.gotrofnwi.org.

Calumet Christian School - 2016 CCS Patriot Auction - Saturday, Nov. 5th - Doors open at 11:30AM - Calumet Christian School, 826 N. Harvey, Griffith. For more info call 219-922-8428 or www.calumetchristian.org.

Griffith Animal Control & Treasured Friends Animal Rescue and Adoption - Laugh Your Tail Off Fundraiser - Saturday, Nov. 5th - 6PM - Wildrose Brewing Co., 1104 E. Main St., Griffith. Tickets \$30 (Must be 21 and over to attend). For tickets visit comedyintheregion.com.

Girls on the Run of NWI - Fall 5K - Sunday, Nov. 6th - 8AM Festivities begin, 10AM 5K Start - Wolf Lake, Hammond. Register for the 5K online at www.gotrofnwi.org.

Treasured Friends Animal Rescue and Adoption - 2nd Annual Bunco Event - Saturday, Nov. 6th - 12PM to 3PM, Aurelio's Pizza, Griffith. Tickets \$20.00 per person. For more info call 219-381-8562 or email: treasuredfriendsrescue@gmail.org.

March of Dimes - Signature Chefs Auction - Monday, Nov. 7th - 5:30PM - Avalon Manor, Merrillville. Tickets \$125.00 per person. For more info call: 219-781-7889 or email: lcarpenter@marchofdimes.org.

Kiwanis - Nelson Chicken Dinner Fundraiser - Friday, Nov. 11th - Dinners served from 5PM - 6:30PM - Tickets \$10.00 includes half a roasted chicken, tasty pit-tatoes, slaw and a roll. Tickets can be purchased at Lincoln Center, Highland or from a Kiwanis member. For more info call: Jeannine 219-923-2360.

American Legion Post 180 - Pancake Breakfast - Sunday, Nov. 13th - 8AM to 11AM - Bring two (2) NON-PERISHABLE food items and get \$1.00 off one (1) individual breakfast. 2703 Jewett Avenue, Highland. For more info call: 219-972-3948.

Humane Society Calumet Area - Holiday Wreath Sale - Orders due by Nov. 16th. Forms available at Paws Resale Shoppe, 8149 Kennedy Ave., Highland or online at www.hscalumet.org. Prices start at \$13.00 Pick up Dec. 2-3 at Paws Resale Shoppe.

Humane Society Calumet Area - Girls Night Out Fiesta! - Thursday, Nov. 17th - 5PM to 8PM - Paws Resale Shoppe, 8149 Kennedy Ave., Highland. Tickets \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. For more info call 219-513-8911 or visit www.hscalumet.org.

Highland Parks & Recreation - Craft Show & Vendor Fair - Saturday, Nov. 26th 9AM to 3PM, Lincoln Center, Highland. For more info call: 219-838-0114.



President Fred Leep visits with Judy Vaughn, Highland Public Works and great Chamber volunteer.

CONGRATULATIONS

Carrie and Mike Upchurch on the birth of their daughter Huxley Marie born October 14.

Carole and John Bakker, Park Avenue Floors, are retiring after 30 years. They are so pleased that a new flooring store (Creative Carpet and Flooring) is taking over where they left off.

Bob Mele, Highland Lake County Library, is retiring and has enjoyed working with our Chamber. Welcome to the new Highland Branch Librarian Linda Johnsen.

Humane Society Calumet Area is celebrating 75 years of their mission statement with leading the community in the humane treatment of animals.

Vyto's Pharmacy and Home Health Solutions is being honored as the Small Business Development Center Entrepreneur Award for Family Owned Business at their luncheon on Wednesday, Nov. 16 at the Radisson.

Chamber Members Ben Bochnowski, Peoples Bank; Kaityln Hendricks, 3 Floyds Brewing Co.; Summer Moore, The Times; Kris Parker, Purdue University; and Jeff Zielinski, Prompt Ambulance, honored as the 20 under 40 in Business Class 2016.

NOVEMBER CHAMBER CALENDAR

- 1 Chamber Plan Session, 8:30 - 10:30 am
Comfort Inn, Hammond, Call 923-3666
- 8 Election Day - Polls open 6 am - 6 pm
- 8 Membership Meeting, Bridges, Cost \$15
121 N. Griffith Blvd., Griffith, RSVP 923-3666
- 11 Veterans Day Ceremony, 11 am
- 17 Coffee Hour, Grindhouse Café, 8 am
146 N. Broad Street, Griffith, Call 923-3666
- 18 Vyto's Pharmacy Ribbon Cutting, 2-6 pm
- 24 HAPPY THANKSGIVING
- 25 Office Closed
- 26 SHOP SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY



NOVEMBER TOWN EVENTS

Laugh Your Tail Off Comedy Event/Silent Auction
Saturday, Nov. 5, 6:00 pm, Wildrose Brewing Co.
Tickets \$30 Proceeds benefit Griffith Animal Control Building.

Highland Parks & Recreation annual Pumpkin Plod
Thursday, November 24, 9 am. There are over 1200 runners and walkers. Contact 838-0114.

Highland's Santa March is Saturday, Nov. 26, at 4:30 pm. Businesses can participate in the parade or donate to the treat bags that will be handed out by Santa in the gazebo. Contact Erica Wolak, Council of Community Events, at 718-1610.

CHAMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- November 1 - Chamber Plan Session
- November 11 - Veterans Day Ceremony
- November 26 - Shop Small Business Saturday
- December 13 - Acknowledging Members

CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8
Bridges Scoreboard
121 N. Griffith Blvd, Cost \$15
30 Second Business Spotlights

Please RSVP to the Chamber by Friday, November 4, at 923-3666 or info@highlandchamber.com

2016 HIGHLAND/GRIFFITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Fred Leep, Pleasant View Dairy
Vice President: Susie Pollard, Centsible Heating & Air Conditioning
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Kathleen Reed, First Midwest Bank
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Joe Starkey, Oak Partners
Sue Woodall, Chicago Title Insurance

The HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce offers many advertisement opportunities:

NEWSLETTER: Business Card Ads are \$30/month, and must include 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.

CHAMBER EVENT CALENDAR: Weekly email to Chamber Members announcing Grand Openings, Ribbon Cuttings, Coffee Hour, Membership Meetings and Business Opportunities.

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

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