



# THE CHAMBER NEWS



Fred Leep, Pleasant View Dairy, was honored and thanked for serving as President in 2016. President Susie Pollard, Centsible Heating & Air Conditioning presented the plaque at our January Membership Meeting.

9th ANNUAL



**YOUR BUSINESS**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2017 10:00 AM—2:00 PM

Reservations are still being accepted to attend our Chamber Vendor Fair and Networking Lunch.

Thursday, February 9, 2017  
The Center for Visual & Performing Arts  
1040 Ridge Road, Munster

Vendor Fair is from 10 am - 12:30 pm

Networking Lunch is from 12:30 - 2:00 pm

Cost is \$20 - Limited seating of 200

Please RSVP [info@highlandgriffithchamber.com](mailto:info@highlandgriffithchamber.com) or call 923-3666. Vendor Space is sold out.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

### CHARCUTERIE

128 N. Broad Street, Griffith, 902-2037  
Reps: Valerie Gonzales and Skip Jones  
Category: Specialty Grocer/Deli  
[www.charcuterienwi.com](http://www.charcuterienwi.com)

### FOCUSED PAIN RELIEF

Dr. David Foreit and Dr. Jeff Demko  
2621 Highway Avenue, Highland, 595-0630  
Category: Physicians  
[www.foreitdemko.com](http://www.foreitdemko.com)

### JOURNEY SENIOR LIVING of Merrillville

7900 Rhode Island, 525-4123  
Representative: Laura Carpenter  
Category: Memory Care Community  
[www.jsl-m.com](http://www.jsl-m.com)

### LuLaRoe by Sarah Mags

331 N. Rensselaer Street, Griffith  
Rep: Sarah Nelson, 313-0717  
Category: Home Based Clothing  
[facebook.com/lularoesarahmags](https://facebook.com/lularoesarahmags)

### OBERWEIS HOME DELIVERY

Rep: Kristine Gelis, 866-780-0001 x4039  
[Kristine.gelisA@oberweis.com](mailto:Kristine.gelisA@oberweis.com)  
[www.oberweis.com](http://www.oberweis.com)

### BOB ODERWALD STATE FARM

1121 Joliet Street, Dyer, 515-2786  
Rep: Joyce Matonovich-Krukowski  
Category: Insurance  
[www.boboderwald.com](http://www.boboderwald.com)

### ROI NETWORK NFP INC.

550 N. Indiana Avenue, Crown Point  
Representative: John Vurpillat  
Category: Non Profit Networking Group  
[www.roinetworking.com](http://www.roinetworking.com)

### SCI FI DONUTS

138 S. Broad Street, Griffith, 513-6880  
Reps: David Bobeck & Joanne Noteboom  
Category: Bakery

[www.scifidonuts.com](http://www.scifidonuts.com)

**THANK YOU TO MORE RENEWING 2017 CHAMBER MEMBERS**  
 Dues received since the January Newsletter  
*We appreciate your continued support of Promoting Good Business!*

Aide Rentals & Sales II	Grindhouse Cafe	Oak Partners
Adams Allstate Insurance	Hampton In Highland Apts.	Oil Express
American Concrete Restoration and Decorative Coatings	Highland Animal Hospital	Party Liquors
Allenbaugh State Farm Insurance	Highland Care Pharmacy	Patriot Gaming & Electronics
Applied Leadership Services	Highland Clerk-Treasurer	Phantom Fireworks
Better Business Bureau	Highland Fire Department	Plaza Lanes
CDE Collision Centers	Highland Police Department	Pepsi
Capri's Pizza	Highland Town Council	Pop A Lock
Colby Dental	Humane Society Calumet Area	Post Tribune
Collins Heating & Cooling	Immanuel United Church	R Bar & Grill
Community Hospital	Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance	Rapid Pest Solutions
Crestview Apartments	Kempo Jujutsu Martial Arts Academy	Region Signs
DiTola State Farm Insurance	Lakeshore Community Concert Association	REGIONAL Federal Credit Union
Dining Solutions	Lake County Public Library Highland and Griffith Branches	Ridge Cyclery
Digital Graphic Solutions	MHA of Lake County	Sanfratello's Pizza
Edward Jones Investments - Doug Lewis	Mansards Apartments	Tauber Law Offices
Enbridge Energy	Mayol & Associates	Teachers Credit Union
First Financial Bank	McColly Realtors	The Timeless Harpist
First Savings Bank of Hegewisch	Miss Print	Town of Griffith
Garfield Masonic Lodge	N.E. Leep Realty Corporation	Traditions Restaurant
Griffith Billiards & Doc's Lounge	New Life Christian Reformed Church	Twincade
Griffith DQ Grill & Chill	NIPSCO	Webb Ford
		White Funeral Home
		Zamudio Law Professionals

**CHAMBER MEMBER HAPPENINGS**

**Highland Community Crime Watch** - *Door Prize Request* - Coordinators are asking for donations of gift certificates in a small monetary amount to be used as door prizes at the remaining meetings. Contact Shawn Anderson or Brandon Norris at 219.838.3184 or email at sanderson@highland.in.gov or bnorris@highland.in.gov.

**Treasured Friends Animal Adoption** - *Simple Qpon Book Fundraiser* - The coupon book is \$20. It's full of restaurant and miscellaneous coupons for NWI. Call or text Melisa at 219.743.7322 or email treasuredfriendsrescue@gmail.com. They may also be purchased at their adoption events on Saturday/Sunday at PetSmart in Schererville from 12-4 pm.

**NorthShore Health Centers** - *Give Kids A Smile Day!* - Jan. 30 - Feb 2 from 8 am to 7 pm. Free exam, x-rays, cleaning and toothbrush/toothpaste. Appt. required, call 219.763.8112.

**Journey Senior Living of Merrillville** - *Open House* - Sat., Feb 4th 10 am to 2 pm, 7900 Rhode Island St., Merrillville, RSVP to 219.525.4123.

**Humane Society Calumet Area** - *Pizza for Paws* - Sat., Feb 4th 12 to 3 pm, Langel's Pizza, Highway Ave., Highland. Come join local pet businesses and help support the Humane Society!

**North Township Trustee, Frank J. Mrvan** - *Friends and Family Sweetheart Dance* - Sat., Feb 11th 4 to 6 pm at Wicker Memorial Park Clubhouse. Reservations are required. Contact 219.932.2530 x 331.

**Albert's Jewelers** - *Valentine's Day Wedding Ceremonies* - Area couples interested in holding their weddings at Albert's Diamond Jewelers this Valentine's Day are invited to call 219-322-2700 for more information.

**TradeWind Services** - *Fundraising Fun 2017* - Mon., Feb 13th, 6 to 9 pm, Register by Feb 1st! Contact Deb Kiefer at 219.945.3128 or email events@tradewindservices.org.

**Northwest Indiana Parkinsons** - *Spring 2017 Trunk Show* - Wed., Feb. 15th - Wed., Feb. 22nd, 12 to 6 pm at 2927 Jewett Ave., Highland. For more info contact 219.237.2342. All proceeds benefit NWI Parkinsons.

**Highland Historical Society** - *Dr. Kenneth J. Schoon Book Signing* - Thurs., Feb. 23rd, 7 pm at the Lincoln Center, 2450 Lincoln St., Highland.

**Crossroads YMCA** - *Family Movie Night* - Fri., Feb. 24th at 6 pm, Free, at the Hammond Family YMCA, 7322 South-eastern Ave., Hammond.



**SPRING WILL BE HERE SOON AND SO WILL THE EASTER BUNNY - Saturday, April 8**

This annual Chamber fundraiser is fun event enjoyed by many families. We appreciate the generous support from our Chamber Members to sponsor food and items for the breakfast.

Tickets are sold for \$6 each in advance at the following locations:

- Centier Bank, 500 N. Broad, Griffith 9701 and 9102 Indianapolis, Highland
- First Financial Bank, Highland Branches 2611 Highway and 2750 - 45th Street
- Lincoln Center, 2450 Lincoln Street
- Chamber Office, 8536 Kennedy

You may also order and pay for tickets online: [highlandgriffithchamber.com/payment/](http://highlandgriffithchamber.com/payment/)

Bunny Sponsorship Sheet is included. All Sponsors are promoted at the event, on the placemat, banner and the May Newsletter.

**Journey SENIOR LIVING of Merrillville  
OPEN HOUSE**  
**7900 Rhode Island (behind the Star Plaza)**  
**Saturday, February 4, 10 am - 2 pm**

Journey Senior Living is a Christian Memory Care Community and Northwest Indiana's best kept secret in Memory Care. Come visit all their amenities. RSVP 525-4123.

**FEBRUARY CHAMBER CALENDAR**

7 Chamber Board Meeting, 8:30 am  
Highland Office Center, 2646 Highway  
Contact Mary at 923-3666

9 Love Your Business Vendor Fair and Networking Lunch, 10 - 2, Cost \$20  
Please RSVP to 923-3666

14 HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY 

16 Chamber Coffee Hour, 8 am,  
923-3666  
Grindhouse Café, 146 N. Broad Street

Remember to renew your business license with Highland 838-1080 or Griffith 924-7500.

**FEBRUARY TOWN NEWS**

Griffith - Ice Skating Rink is now available for use in Central Park (weather permitting)

The Town of Griffith has a new mobile app called Griffith on the Go.

Highland has a new welcome video portal on their website: [highland.in.gov](http://highland.in.gov).

**CHAMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2017**

Love Your Business - February 9, Munster  
 Chamber Bunny Breakfast - April 8, HHS  
 Taco Meet & Greet - May, Griffith YMCA  
 Tour de HighlandGriffith - June 3, Wicker Park  
 Golf Outing - July 21, Wicker Park  
 Griffith Pub Crawl - October  
 Highland Pub Crawl - November

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## 2017 HIGHLAND/GRIFFITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Susie Pollard, Centsible Heating & Air Conditioning  
Vice President: Patricia Makarounas, Regional Federal Credit Union  
Secretary: Shawn Graham, Edward Jones Investments  
Treasurer: Kimberly Blaesing, Tiger Plumbing  
Past President: Fred Leep, Pleasant View Dairy

Michelle Anderson, First Financial Bank  
Amy Conn, Crestview Apartments  
Christie DeHaan, Zambudio Law Professionals  
Margie Dian, First Financial Bank  
Joe Koranek, Centier Bank  
Gabe Mauch, Grindhouse Cafe

Rich Miller, Spitz & Miller White & Havens Insurance  
Robyn Pokropinski, Pokro Brewing Company  
Kathleen Reed, First Midwest Bank  
Cindy Rivera, North Township Trustee Frank Mrvan  
Joe Starkey, Oak Partners  
Sylvia Torbica, United Federal Credit Union  
Sue Woodall, Chicago Title Insurance

### The HighlandGriffith Chamber offers many advertising 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 Ribbon Cuttings, Grand Openings, 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.

Kuiper Funeral Home  
9039 Kleinman, 923-7800



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*Promoting Good Business*

# Breakfast with the Easter Bunny!

Saturday,  
**APRIL 8, 2017**

Only **\$6!**



Continental Breakfast includes:  
Donuts, granola bar or rice krispie treat,  
bananas, grapes, milk, juice, coffee

Children receive a McDonalds coupon  
and pinwheel

## Highland High School Cafeteria

### 8:30 am Seating

Drawing for bunny basket - 9:00

### 10:00am Seating

Drawing for bunny basket - 10:30  
Winner must be present!

Walgreens will take pictures or  
you may take your own.

Basket raffles sponsored by  
Chamber Members

## LIMITED TICKETS SOLD ONLY IN ADVANCE AT:

Lincoln Center, 2450 Lincoln, 838-0114

**Highland Griffith Chamber office**  
8536 Kennedy, 923-3666

**Centier Bank Locations**  
500 N. Broad Street, Griffith  
9701 and 9102 Indianapolis, Highland

**First Financial Bank Locations**  
2611 Highway Avenue, 2750 - 45th Street

You may also order tickets online:  
[highlandgriffithchamber.com/payment/](http://highlandgriffithchamber.com/payment/)

**Sponsored by the Members of the Highland Griffith Chamber**

**Highland Griffith Chamber Breakfast with the Bunny  
Saturday, April 8, Highland High School Cafeteria**

<b>Sponsorships</b>	<b>Name/Company</b>	<b>\$ Amount</b>
Donuts-Cakes by Karen \$100	_____	
(Total cost \$300)            \$100	_____	
\$100	_____	
Fruit (Bananas/Grapes) \$100	<u>REGIONAL Federal Credit Union</u>	
Granola Bars (\$75)	_____	
Rice Krispie Treats (\$75)	<u>Peoples Bank</u>	
Cafeteria Costs (\$100)	<u>Centier Bank</u>	
Cafeteria Costs (\$50)	<u>Aide Rentals &amp; Sales</u>	
Janitor Costs (\$75)	_____	
Janitor Costs (\$75)	_____	
Beverages for Characters (\$25)	<u>First Merchants Bank</u>	
Coffee/Coffee Cups	<u>Grindhouse Cafe</u>	
Napkins/Paper Plates	_____	
Styrofoam Bowls	<u>Standard Bank &amp; Trust</u>	
Barbie Costume	<u>Elegance Wedding and Evening Wear</u>	
Barbie Color Photos	<u>Office Depot</u>	
Easter Pinwheels (\$50)	<u>First Financial Bank</u>	
Tickets	<u>CJ Printing and Shipping</u>	
Signs/Banners/Bunny Feet	<u>Region Signs</u>	
Raffle Prize - Bunny Basket	<u>Teachers Credit Union</u>	
Raffle Prize – Bunny Basket	_____	
Donation/gift card Raffle Basket	_____	
Orange Drink (cups/cooler)	<u>McDonald's</u>	
Milk	<u>Pleasant View Dairy</u>	
Decorated Arch	<u>Sarkey's Florist</u>	
Photos	<u>Walgreens</u>	
Photo Backdrop	<u>Timeless Images Photography</u>	
Placemats	<u>CJ Printing and Shipping</u>	
Baskets and/or Basket Items	<u>Young Living Essential Oils – Jill Kearns</u>	
	<u>Whole Foods – Brittany Foster</u>	
	<u>BMO Harris Bank</u>	
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**Thanks for your continued support of the Highland Griffith Chamber. Call 923-3666**