



THE CHAMBER NEWS



2nd & Charles Ribbon Cutting

Pictured front row (left-right): 2nd & Charles employees Jeannette Barcenas, Chamber Director Mary Luptak; Manager Crystal Wake; Ryan Maxwell and Sa'ad Shalabi. **Back row (left-right):** Amanda Riley and Laura Newton, Hampton in Highland; Christie DeHaan, Zamudio Law Professionals; Michelle Anderson and Margie Dian, First Financial Bank; Matt Falcone, CJ Printing; Sylvia Torbica, United Federal Credit Union, Lance Ryskamp, Highland Redevelopment; Kimberly and Jeff Blaessing, Tiger Plumbing.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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The Annex Ribbon Cutting

Pictured Front Row (left-right): Sophia and Angelo, Sarah Spezza owner of Mrs. Funkenstein and Evvie Tillich owner of Wooden Jacket Design.

Back Row (left-right): Director Mary Luptak, Jimmy Kendrick, Growlers; Sylvia Torbica, United Federal Credit Union, Laura Newton, Hampton in Highland; Lance Ryskamp, Highland Redevelopment; Victor Garcia, Mental Health America; Matt Falcone, CJ Printing, Grace Morin and Kathleen Reed, First Midwest Bank and Manoy Edwards, Hampton In Highland.



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

AC Graphix House Inc.
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 The Corporate Thread
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 Walgreens
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Welcome PEOPLE'S BANK to their new location at 3927 Ridge Road in Highland. Pictured front row (left-right) Board of Directors and Executive Team: Ken Krupinski, Marty Dybel, Leane Cerven, Highland Redevelopment Director Cecile Petro, Carla Houck, Candice Kouros-Logue, CEO Ben Bochnowski, Executive Chairman David Bochnowski, John Diedrich, Highland Clerk Treasurer Michael Griffin. Back Row (left-right): Brad Vosberg, John Freyek, Sheldon Cutler, James Wieser, Bob Lowry, Tanya Leetz, Congressman Visclosky Chief of Staff Mark Lopez, and Ed Furticella.



THANKS FOR ANOTHER GREAT LOVE YOUR BUSINESS

The Dyer, Munster and HighlandGriffith Chambers thank you for participating in our annual Love Your Business Vendor Fair and Networking Lunch.

We had a sell out crowd of 66 vendor booths and 210 lunch attendees. Special thanks to 219 Productions providing fun pictures with their mirrored photo booth.

See more pictures on our website:

<http://highlandgriffithchamber.com/gallery/>

Save the date for next year to participate - February 8, 2018



NWI Parkinsons Boutique Shop

Visit Elizabeth Woodbury and her showroom at 2927 Jewett Avenue. Designer Fashions include Frank Lyman and Alberto Makali. All proceeds benefit NWI Parkinsons. Contact Elizabeth at 237-2342.

MARCH CHAMBER CALENDAR

- 7 Chamber Board Meeting, 8:30 am
Space Revival, 132 N. Broad Street
- 14 Membership Meeting - Theo's
Please RSVP to Chamber office
- 15 Bunny Breakfast Meeting, 9:30 am
Chamber office, Contact 923-3666
- 16 Chamber Coffee Hour, 8 am, 923-3666
Grindhouse Café, 146 N. Broad Street
- 17 HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY
- 21 Ambassador Committee Meeting, 9:30
Chamber office, 923-3666

CHAMBER MEMBER HAPPENINGS

Griffith Family YMCA - 2nd Annual Developmental Disabilities Prom - Sat., March 4th from 6 to 9 pm at Griffith Family YMCA, 201 N. Griffith Blvd. Tickets \$5 per couple or \$3 per person. Tickets are limited and may be purchased at the Griffith YMCA front desk.

Frank J. Mrvan, North Township Trustee - City of Hammond's 14th Annual Job Fair - Thursday, March 9 from 11 am to 3 pm at the Hammond Civic Center. Contact Gabriela Gallegos @ 219.853.6508 x 1 or gallegosg@gohammond.com for more information.

Girls on the Run Northwest Indiana - Sneaker Soiree - Sat., March 11, 6:30 to 10:30 pm at Wicker Memorial Park Social Center. Cocktail attire with sneakers encouraged! Tickets are \$50 through March 9 or \$55 at the door. Visit www.gotrofnwi.org to purchase your ticket or for more information.

Garfield Masonic Lodge #569 - 7th Annual Irish Dinner Saturday, March 11, 4:00 pm, 2234 Martha Street. \$10 Adults \$5 per child (donation). Contact Chris Hejmej 743-3421, Brad Neal 644-9943 or Jim Slagle 628-6797.

Highland Education Foundation - Potbelly Sandwich Shop Gives Back to Your Local Neighborhood Fundraiser Thursday, March 16, from 5 to 8 pm Potbelly, 10441 Indianapolis Blvd. will donate 25% of net sales.

American Legion Post 180 - St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner - Sat., March 18 from 1 to 5 pm at 2703 Jewett Ave. \$11 per plate Dine in or Carry out.

BUNNY BREAKFAST TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Saturday, April 8, 2017 at HHS Cafeteria
Two Seatings - 8:30 and 10:00 am

Tickets sold in advance for \$6 at the Lincoln Center Centier Bank (Griffith and Highland locations), First Financial Bank (Highway and 45th Street) Chamber office and at highlandgriffithchamber.com/payment/

See flyer and sponsorship opportunity inside . . .

CHAMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2017

- 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**

CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Tuesday, March 14,
THEO'S STEAK & SEAFOOD
9144 Indianapolis Boulevard
11:30 Networking 12-1 Lunch**

**SPEAKER: Heather Ennis
Northwest Indiana Forum**

**Please RSVP to the Chamber office
info@highlandgriffithchamber.com**

2017 HIGHLAND/GRIFFITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Susie Pollard, Centsible Heating & Air Conditioning
Vice President: Patricia Makarounas, Regional Federal Credit Union
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Sylvia Torbica, United Federal Credit Union
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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.

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THE EASTER BUNNY AND HIS FRIENDS NEED A FEW ITEMS TO BE SPONSORED FOR BREAKFAST ON SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2017



All sponsors are listed on a Banner and Placemats and acknowledged in the May Newsletter. Items that need to be sponsored include: Donuts, Basket Raffle and Janitor Costs. Please call the Chamber office.

THANKS TO OUR CURRENT SPONSORS

Aide Rentals & Sales, BMO Harris Bank, Centier Bank, CJ Printing and Shipping, Centsible Heating & Cooling, Crestview Apartments, Elegance Wedding & Evening Wear, Fair Haven for Women, First Financial Bank, First Merchants Bank, Grindhouse Café, Highland Community Foundation, McDonald's Office Depot, People's Bank, Pleasant View Dairy, Regional Federal Credit Union, Region Signs, Sarkey's Florist, Spitz Miller White Havens Insurance, Teachers Credit Union, Vyto's Pharmacy, Walgreens, Whole Foods and Young Living Essential Oils - Jill Kearns.





HighlandGriffith
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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/

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