



# THE CHAMBER NEWS



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Pleasant View Dairy and the Leep Family being honored with the Family Business Award of the Year at the recent NWI Small Business Development Center Entrepreneurial Excellence Awards. Pictured (left-right): Michelle Anderson, First Financial Bank, Chamber Director Mary Luptak, Pleasant View Owners Ken Leep, Bill Leep, Fred Leep, and Margie Dian, First Financial Bank. Visit [www.edayleaders.com](http://www.edayleaders.com) for more photos and stories about the class of 2017.



**Thursday, February 8**  
**9:30 am - 2:00 pm**  
Performing Arts Center  
1040 Ridge Rd. Munster  
Cost \$20      \$75 Booth

**YOUR BUSINESS Networking Lunch Vendor Fair**

This is our 10th annual event with the Munster and Dyer Chamber Members. Register for a booth or attend the vendor fair and networking lunch. This is a SELL OUT event! Sign up early - registration form inside

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

**DÉCOR & MORE**  
9222 Indianapolis Blvd., Highland  
Representative: Jillian Gadzala, 513-8083  
[decorandmore.highland@gmail.com](mailto:decorandmore.highland@gmail.com)  
Category: Furniture and Home Décor  
Recommended by: Susie Pollard

**SUPERIOR AMBULANCE**  
2605 Garfield, Highland, 736-7400  
Representative: Sherry Sink  
[ssink@superiorambulance.com](mailto:ssink@superiorambulance.com)  
[www.superiorambulance.com](http://www.superiorambulance.com)

**THANK YOU to our Chamber Members, Board of Directors and Volunteers**

Our December 12 Membership Meeting will honor our 25 Year Members Apex Construction and Remodeling and Van Der Noord Electric.

We will welcome our new Board of Directors, acknowledge our retiring Board of Directors, and Chamber Volunteers. We appreciate our Member support throughout the year.

**CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP DUES for 2018** is in the mail. We appreciate your continued support always. Decals will be mailed and delivered, along with our Program of Action and Committee Signup. Thanks for Promoting Good Business.

*Merry Christmas & Happy New Year*



## CHAMBER ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2018

The HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce offers many advertisement opportunities to our Chamber Members. Advertising in The Chamber News is available only to Chamber Members. This is a good opportunity to announce a specific event, such as an open house, a new product or service, change of name/address or coupon offer.

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

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

**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.

**VENDOR TABLE:** At a monthly Membership Meeting you will receive a dedicated table for your material, a Facebook post and a Feature Friday Flyer **all for \$75.**

Circle the months in which you wish your business card advertisement to appear. 3 months minimum at a cost of **\$30 per month** or **\$350 for the entire year**. Email or send business card or coupon.

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Or Advertise a **one page flyer** at the cost of **\$100 per month**. Circle the month.

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FEATURE FRIDAY FLYER (DATE): \_\_\_\_\_

VENDOR TABLE FOR: \_\_\_\_\_

Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone and Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Invoice \_\_\_\_\_

Email [info@highlandgriffithchamber.com](mailto:info@highlandgriffithchamber.com) or call the Chamber office at 923-3666  
Thanks for your continued support of Promoting Good Business in the Chamber.

## CHAMBER MEMBER HAPPENINGS

**Griffith Family YMCA - Movie in the Gym - Elf** - Fri., Dec. 1, 7 PM, 201 N. Griffith Blvd. For more info call 219.750.1082.

**MHA of Lake County & Griffith First Christian Church - Parenting Boot Camp** - Sat. Dec. 2, 9 AM to 10:30 AM at Griffith First Christian Church, 202 W. Pine St., Register by calling 219-937-7733 and ask for Carol.

**Food Bank of NWI - Hope for the Holidays 2017 Holiday Food Distributions** - Sat., Dec. 2, 9 AM to 2 PM at Jean Shepherd Center, 3031 Mahoney Dr., Hammond.

**MHA of Lake County - Wing & Roll** - Mon., Dec. 4, 5:30 - 8:30 PM, Patrician Banquet Center, 410 E. Hwy 30, Schererville. For ticket go to [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com).

**Highland Parks and Recreation Dept. - Blood Drive** - Tue., Dec. 5, 1:30 - 6:30 PM, 2450 Lincoln St. For more info call 219-838-0114.

**Highland Office Center - Toy Drive** - Now through Tue., Dec. 7. A new, unwrapped toy for a child of any age may be dropped off at Highland Office Center, 2646 Highway Ave. For more info call 219-688-1792.

**Edward Jones Financial Advisor Shawn Graham & Griffith First Christian Church - The Holiday Caroling-Ugly Sweater Wearing-Hot Chocolate Sharing Toy Drive** - Fri., Dec. 8, 6 - 8 PM at Griffith First Christian Church, 202 W. Pine St. Admission is 1 toy donation to enter. The Hot Chocolate Bar is \$1 if you bring your own mug. \$2 if you need a mug! (Exact change please).

**American Legion Post 180 - Breakfast Buffet** - Sun., Dec. 10, 8 - 10 AM, at the Corner of Ridge Rd. and 2nd St., Highland. \$6 per person, Kids 5 and under eat free. For more info call 219-972-3948 or 219-671-1208.

**Edward Jones Financial Advisor Shawn Graham - Neighbors Helping Neighbors Griffith Emergency Fund Holiday Toy Drive** - Now through Wed., Dec. 15 you may drop off a new unwrapped toy at 1939 W. Glen Park Ave., Griffith. For more info call 219-924-2565.

**Lake County Public Library - Highland Branch - Shop Local Raffle** - Make a purchase at a Highland Small Business between now and Dec. 16, bring your receipt to the Library at 2841 Jewett Ave. to receive a raffle ticket for a \$25 gift card. Winner will be contacted Dec. 18.

**KempoJujutsu - South Shore Toy Drive 2017** - now through Thu., Dec. 16. Toys may be dropped off at the following Chamber Members: **In Highland:** Artistic Family Dental, Culver's, Edward Jones Financial Advisor Doug Lewis, Family Eye Care or the Chamber Office. **In Griffith:** Balanced Nutrition and Grindhouse Café.

**Milestone Therapy - Parent's Night Out** - Mon., Dec. 18, 5:30 - 8 PM, \$10 per child. Please RSVP to Erin at 219-513-8311.

## DECEMBER CHAMBER CALENDAR

- 1 Membership Dues for 2018 in the mail
- 5 Chamber Board of Directors Meeting 8:30 am  
Chamber office, 8536 Kennedy, 923-3666
- 12 Membership Meeting - Wicker Park  
Acknowledging Chamber Board and Members
- 21 Chamber Coffee Hour,  
Grindhouse Café, 8:00
- 25 MERRY CHRISTMAS



## DECEMBER TOWN NEWS AND CALENDAR

**Griffith Kringle Walk**, Saturday, Dec. 9, 11-5, Visit downtown businesses for shopping and fun. Pick up kringle bag at Bridges. Griffith Historical Society will be hosting pictures with Santa at Lady's Gourmet Popcorn.

**Highland Home Decorating Contest**, cast your vote Dec. 6 - 13 at [highlandparks.org](http://highlandparks.org). Award winners announced Dec. 14.

**Highland Fireworks Display** at Main Square Park on Dec. 31, midnight. Hot chocolate will be served.

## CHAMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2018

- Love Your Business Vendor Fair - February 8, Munster
- Chamber Bunny Breakfast - March 24, HHS
- Tour de HighlandGriffith - June 9, Wicker Park
- Chamber Golf Outing - July 20, Wicker Park
- Griffith Pub Crawl
- Chamber Night Bike Ride
- Chamber Business Expo

## CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Tuesday, December 12**  
**Wicker Park Social Center**  
**8554 Indianapolis Blvd, Highland**  
**11:30 Networking 12-1 Lunch**

**Acknowledging our 25 Year Members,  
Retiring Board Members and Volunteers**

**Please RSVP to the Chamber office**  
**[info@highlandgriffithchamber.com](mailto:info@highlandgriffithchamber.com) or 923-3666**  
**by December 8th**



## 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, Zamudio 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

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# YOUR BUSINESS Networking Lunch & Vendor Fair

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2018 9:30 AM - 2 PM  
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - Tell your Customers!

The Center for Visual & Performing Arts, 1040 Ridge Rd., Munster

9:30 AM - 12:30 PM Vendor Tables  
12:45 PM - 2 PM Networking Lunch and Door Prizes

\$20 Prepaid in advance • \$25 at the door • \$30 Non-Chamber Members

**LIMITED VENDOR SPACE AVAILABLE FOR CHAMBER MEMBERS ONLY**

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Vendors may sell merchandise.\*\***

\_\_\_\_\_ # Attendees for Lunch (**\$20 RSVP to Chamber by February 1st**)

Vendor Tables (3 ft x 5 ft) includes 1 lunch \_\_\_\_\_ \$75 Standard \_\_\_\_\_ \$85 Electric

Total Number of Tables \_\_\_\_\_

Select Room: West Room \_\_\_\_\_ or Atrium (**No Guarantees**) \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. Code \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ MC \_\_\_\_\_ Discover \_\_\_\_\_