

# THE CHAMBER NEWS



**VETERINARY ORTHOPEDIC CENTER** celebrated their Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting with many Chamber Members, Town Officials, Architects, Construction and Staff. Pictured (left-right): Chamber Director Mary Luptak, Cecile Petro, past Highland Redevelopment Director; Doug Farr, Farr & Associates, Michael Griffin, Highland Clerk-Treasurer; Jean Ubaudi, Dr. Claude Gendreau, VOC Founder and Owner; Bernie Zemen, Highland Town Council; Tim Kirby, Farr & Associates; Jodi Kennedy, VOC Chief Results Officer and Andrew Farmer, Core Construction.

The new surgery center is located at 2215 Main Street, Highland, 922-6000. Visit their website at [www.VetOrthoCtr.com](http://www.VetOrthoCtr.com)

(Photo courtesy of Pete Doherty Photography)

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

### BUNS CARE CHILDREN'S CHARITY

825 W. 45th Avenue, Griffith

Representative: Dr. Tom O'Hara

[mail@bunscare.org](mailto:mail@bunscare.org)

[www.bunscare.org](http://www.bunscare.org)

### CLASSIC BARBER SHOPPE

112 N. Broad Street, Griffith, 595-0215

Representative: Dario Garcia

[two19barber@yahoo.com](mailto:two19barber@yahoo.com)

### KIDS PEACE

335 W. 84th Place, Merrillville, 736-1308

Representative: Kimberly Daley

[kimberly.daley@kidspeace.com](mailto:kimberly.daley@kidspeace.com)

[www.kidspeace.org](http://www.kidspeace.org)

### Panorama NOW Entertainment News

656 Franklin Street, Valparaiso, 464-9237

Representative: Susie Young Baxter

[PanoramaNOW@comcast.net](mailto:PanoramaNOW@comcast.net)

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



## MEET THE CHAMBER'S 2019 OFFICERS

Pictured (left-right) Treasurer Christie DeHaan, Zamudio Law Professionals; President Shawn Graham, Edward Jones Investments; Secretary Joe Koranek, Centier Bank; Vice President Kimberly Blaesing, Tiger Plumbing; and Past President Patricia Makarounas, Regional Federal Credit Union.



## THANK YOU for your Service and Commitment

Our newly elected President Shawn Graham, Edward Jones Investments; presented Patricia Makarounas, Regional Federal Credit Union, with a plaque for serving as the Chamber 2018 President.

## THANK YOU TO OUR RENEWING 2019 CHAMBER MEMBERS

Dues received January 1 - 31

*We appreciate your continued support of Promoting Good Business!*

Artistic Family Dental	McColly Real Estate – George	Shipwreck Bar & Grill
Better Business Bureau	Georgeff	Smiles by Gentle Dental
Bochnowski Appraisal Company	Meijer	South Shore Arts/NWI
Centier Bank	Metro Recycling	Symphony
Colby Dental	Moses Eye Care Centers	Spitz & Miller Insurance
Collins Heating & Cooling	Mrs. Dornberg's Culinary	State Farm Insurance –
Comcast	Cuisine	Ron Pierce
Crossroads YMCA	N.E. Leep	Tauber Law Offices
Digital Graphic Solutions	NorthShore Health Centers	Texas Corral
Dr. Mary Tilak	Per Mar Security	The Bill & Kali Show
Enbridge Energy	Phantom Fireworks	The Skillman Corporation
First Midwest Bank	Pokro Brewing Company, Inc.	Tricoci University of Beauty
Habitat for Humanity	Post Tribune	Culture, LLC
Hampton in Highland	Providence Bank	Van der Noord Electric
Hobson & Scott Remodeling	Region Home Buyers	Veterinary Orthopedic Center
Hoosier Highlander	Region Signs	Vyto's Pharmacy
Indiana Small Business	Republic Services	Webb Ford
Development Center (ISBDC)	Sci Fi Donuts	Zamudio Law Professionals, PC
Mark Machnic, CPA		

## THANK YOU CHAMBER MEMBERS FOR VOLUNTEERING



At our recent Membership Meeting the Chamber acknowledged our Members who volunteer for Committees and Events: Pictured (left-right): Bev Strickland, Centier Bank; Gina Fezler and Stacey Williams, First Financial Bank; Jenn Consenza, Brown Insurance Group, Terry Trusgnich, Aide Rentals & Sales; Fred Leep, Pleasant View Dairy; Chamber President Shawn Graham, Edward Jones Investments; Doug Lewis, Edward Jones Investments; Michelle Anderson First Financial Bank; Pat Vassar, Highland Police Department; Judi Caddick, Highland Education Foundation; Sue Hynek and Ro Loughmiller, Hartsfield Village and Sherrill Adams, Adams Allstate Insurance.

## The Chamber's Annual Breakfast with the EASTER BUNNY

**Saturday, April 13**

**8:30 - 9:30 am**

**10:00 - 11:00 am**

**Tickets \$6 in advance**

**Highland High School**

Promote your business with a Basket or sponsor a food item. Sign up form inside or call the office.







**CONGRATULATIONS**  
to Dr. Christopher  
Gall, DDS, for being  
a 25-year Chamber  
Member.

The dental philosophy  
is family friendly  
dental care, specializ-  
ing in restorative and  
cosmetic dentistry.

Visit Dr. Gall's office  
at 909 E. 45th Street,  
Griffith, 838-5111

## FERUARY CHAMBER CALENDAR

- 5 Chamber Board Meeting, 8:30 am  
Griffith YMCA, Contact 923-3666
- 14 Love Your Business Vendor Fair/Lunch  
Center for Visual & Performing Arts,  
Cost \$25-Limited Seating, Please RSVP
- 18 President's Day
- 21 Coffee Hour - Grindhouse Café, 8:00 am

## JOIN OUR NEW MEMBER BENEFIT ..... Shop Chamber! Public Facebook Group

Chamber Members now have the opportunity  
to post their sales, events and specials to the  
public. It's easy to join, you may even join as  
your Business page.

You can find the group at [www.facebook.com/  
groups/422922004911101/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/422922004911101/)

## CHAMBER MEMBER HAPPENINGS

**North Shore Health Centers - Give Kids A Smile Day** -  
Fri. Feb. 1, 8 AM - 3 PM. Space is limited. Appointment  
required. Call 219-763-8112 or 888-313-8557

**Hall Chiropractic Pain Relief Center - 1st Annual Free  
Pancake Breakfast** - Sat., Feb. 2, 8 - 11 AM, 801 W. Glen  
Park Ave., Griffith, RSVP to 219.924.2112

**Goodwill Industries Griffith Career Center - Computer  
Basics Parts 1-4** - Tue., Feb. 5; Thur., Feb. 7; Tue., Feb.  
12; Thur., Feb. 14; 11 AM—12 PM, 1601 W. 45th Ave.,  
Griffith, For more info call 513.9307 x 7409

**American Legion Post 180 - All You Can Eat! Breakfast  
Buffet** - Sun. Feb. 10, 8 - 11 AM, \$6, Kids 5 and under eat  
free, Corner of Ridge Rd & 2nd St., Highland - 972.3948

**Griffith Family YMCA - Improv Workshops** - Thur., Feb.  
10, 17 and 24, 1:30 - 3:30 PM at 201 N. Griffith Blvd.,  
Griffith, 219-750-1082

**The Green Witch & Highland Parks & Recreation -  
Pop-up Smoothie & Juice Bar Event** - Mon., Feb. 11,  
10 AM - 12 PM & 5 PM - 7 PM at Lincoln Community  
Center, 2450 Lincoln St., Highland

**TradeWinds - Fundraising Fun 2019 Bowling** - Mon., Feb.  
11, 6 - 9 PM, Check in 5:00 - 5:30 PM, \$125 individual,  
\$300 threesome plus a TradeWinds participant. Register  
at 219.945.3128 or email [events@tradewindservices.org](mailto:events@tradewindservices.org)

**Highland Public Library & Centier Bank - Top 5 Tips** -  
Sat., Feb. 16 & 23, Highland Public Library, 2841 Jewett  
Ave. Highland, FREE RSVP to [center.com/highland-library](http://center.com/highland-library)

**Goodwill Industries Griffith Career Center - Internet  
Basics Parts 1-4** - Tue., Feb. 19; Thur., Feb. 21; Tue., Feb.  
26; Thur., Feb. 28; 11 AM - 12 PM, 1601 W. 45th Ave.,  
Griffith, For more info call 513.9307 x 7409

## Chamber Calendar of Events - 2019

Love Your Business - February 14, Munster

Chamber Bunny Breakfast - April 13, HHS

Tour de HighlandGriffith - June 8, Wicker Park

Chamber Golf Outing - July 19, Wicker Park

Chamber Booth at Concert - August  
Chamber Booth at Rock n Rail - September

Holiday Community Market - November

## CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**LOVE YOUR BUSINESS**  
Vendor Fair 9:30 - 12:30  
Networking Lunch 12:30 - 2:30

**Center for Visual & Performing Arts**  
1040 Ridge Road  
Cost \$25

Please RSVP to the Chamber office, 923-3666  
[info@highlandgriffithchamber.com](mailto:info@highlandgriffithchamber.com) by Feb. 1

## 2019 HIGHLAND/GRIFFITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Shawn Graham, Edward Jones Investments

Vice President: Kimberly Blaesing, Tiger Plumbing

Secretary: Joe Koranek, Centier Bank

Treasurer: Christie DeHaan, Zambudio Law Professionals

Past President: Patricia Makarounas, Regional Federal Credit Union

Michelle Anderson, First Financial Bank

Amy Conn-Kile, Crestview Apartments

Shawn Cornett, Griffith First Christian Church

Margie Dian, First Financial Bank

Bill Leep, Pleasant View Dairy

Rich Miller, Spitz & Miller Insurance Agency

Susie Pollard, Centsible Heating & Air Conditioning

Cindy Rivera, North Township Trustee Frank Mrvan

Sylvia Torbica, United Federal Credit Union

Sue Woodall, Chicago Title

### 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



David Peterson  
Leonard Gregorczyk  
Sherry L. Williams-Pressley

*Konnie Kuiper - Kevin Nordyke*  
**Hillside**



Funeral Home & Cremation Center

Family Owned

*Affordable Life Honoring Services*  
219-838-0800

**Advertise  
YOUR Business  
HERE**



Contact the Chamber at 219.923.3666 or  
[info@highlandgriffithchamber.com](mailto:info@highlandgriffithchamber.com)



**HighlandGriffith**  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
*Promoting Good Business*

**PROUD  
MEMBER 2019**

[HIGHLANDGRIFFITHCHAMBER.COM](http://HIGHLANDGRIFFITHCHAMBER.COM)



# Breakfast with the Easter Bunny!

**Saturday,  
April 13, 2019**

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– 9:30 am Seating**

Drawing for bunny basket - 9:00

**10:00– 11:00 am Seating**

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

Take pictures with the  
Easter Bunny and his Friends.

Basket raffles sponsored by  
Chamber Members

**Only  
\$6!**

Per Person



## LIMITED TICKETS SOLD ONLY IN ADVANCE AT:

**HighlandGriffith Chamber office**  
8536 Kennedy Ave., 923-3666

**Lincoln Center,**  
2450 Lincoln, 838-0114

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

**First Financial Bank Locations**  
2611 Highway Ave., 2750 - 45th St., Highland

**Cakes by Karen**  
8632 Kennedy Ave., Highland

You may also order and pay for tickets online:  
[highlandgriffithchamber.com/payment/](http://highlandgriffithchamber.com/payment/)  
Please state seating 1 or 2 when  
purchasing tickets online.

**Sponsored by the Members of the HighlandGriffith Chamber**

**HighlandGriffith Chamber Breakfast with the Bunny**  
**Saturday, April 13, Highland High School Cafeteria**

**Sponsorships**

**Name/Company**

Donuts-Cakes by Karen \$100  
 (Total cost \$300) \$100  
 \$100

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Fruit (Bananas/Grapes) \$100  
 Granola Bars (\$75)  
 Rice Krispie Treats (\$75)  
 Milk  
 Orange Drink (cups/cooler)  
 Coffee  
 Beverages for Mascots (\$25)

Regional Federal Credit Union  
Peoples Bank  
Crowel Agency, Inc.  
Pleasant View Dairy  
McDonald's  
Grindhouse Café  
First Financial Bank - Michelle Anderson

Cafeteria Costs (\$100)  
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Centier Bank  
Tiger Plumbing

Napkins/Paper Plates

Crestview Apartments

Barbie Costume  
 Barbie Color Photos  
 Easter Pinwheels (\$50)

Elegance Wedding and Evening Wear  


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Photos  
 Photo Backdrop  
 Placemats  
 Banners, Bunny Feet, Signs  
 Tickets

Timeless Images Photography  
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Region Signs  
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Grand Prize Basket  
 Grand Prize Basket

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Premade Baskets to raffle

Michelle Anderson – First Financial Bank  
Jennifer Cosenza – Brown Insurance Group  
Sherrill Adams – Allstate-Adams Insurance  
Joe Koranek – Centier Bank  


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**Sponsors will be acknowledged on the Banner, Placemats, Tent Cards at the event and Newsletter.**  
**Thanks for your continued support of the HighlandGriffith Chamber. Call 923-3666**



**Join us in March and support over 523 families by wearing your denim!**

# **DSA DENIM DAY**

**for Disability Awareness Month**

**dsadenim.org**

Wear your denim in MARCH to support those with disabilities in NWI & Chicagoland.

For a minimum donation of \$5 you can wear blue jeans in March.

In support, we will feature your company, school or business on our website and social media!

**Sign-up your company by going to dsadenim.org!**

**Donations are tax deductible!**



**Down Syndrome Association**  
OF NORTHWEST INDIANA & CHICAGOLAND

Supporting those with special needs in our community