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TOWN OF HIGHLAND

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Population 23,696

Incorporated In 1910

April 1, 2019

Dear Highland Business & Civic Leaders,

A year from today will begin the start of the 2020 Census. The Highland Town Council, in an effort to promote and encourage full participation by Highland residents in the Census, have established a "Complete Count Committee" to spread the word to our community.

The Census is mandated by Article 1, Section 2 of the US Constitution, and all residents are required to participate. **By law**, the information provided cannot be shared with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities.

Full participation by residents, including a full and accurate count of children living in Highland, benefits our town in many ways. Census information is used to:

- Determine funding of **\$675 Billion** in federal, state and county tax dollars, including money for roads, schools and social programs. Undercounting our residents costs Highland money, through lost opportunities to receive our fair share of these dollars. It was estimated that in 2010, every person not counted cost their community \$8,260 over ten years. That is less money for paving Highland's streets, or funding vital programs in Highland's schools.
- Determine political representation in Congress, the Indiana General Assembly and county and local legislative bodies. After the 2000 Census, the State of Indiana lost a member of Congress, reducing our number in the US House of Representatives from 10 to 9.
- To provide accurate town demographics to prospective companies looking to locate or re-locate their businesses, with the jobs that come with it, in Highland.

These are just some of the ways Highland can benefit or be hurt by not having a full and accurate count of all of our residents.

While the 2020 Census begins next year, we are asking everyone to start spreading the word on the importance of this once every ten-year event. Over the next year, you will be hearing more about what your business or organization can do to help make sure we count every Highland resident once, and only once, in the right place.

We look forward to working with all of you in the coming year!

Erin Stojic, Co-Chair

Lance Ryskamp, Co-Chair

Improve your Restaurant Operations



Get tips on costing and staffing before the season hits!

For independent restaurant owners/managers:

This “no cost” workshop will feature Pitparnee Stompur, Clinical Instructor at Purdue Northwest in the Hospitality program. Ms. Stompur will share tips about

- Understanding the true cost of the meals you provide
- Effectively managing front of the house staff
- Kitchen operations

Prior to joining the faculty at PNW, Ms. Stompur managed a family owned restaurant in the area, as well as managing kitchen operations at a local casino.

She holds B.S. and M.B.A. degrees from Purdue Northwest.

Event follow-up

Lorri and other NW-ISBDC advisers are available for no-cost, one-on-one business consulting, including market research and financial guidance, to help new entrepreneurs implement their plans and receive advice as they grow their businesses.

For more information, visit www.isbdc.org.

When: Tuesday, May 7, 2019
9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Where: Economic Development Corporation of Michigan City Conference Room, Two Cadence Park Plaza, Michigan City 46360

Register:

<https://isbdc.ecenterdirect.com/events/14928>

For more information:

Contact: Lorri Feldt, Regional Director, Northwest Indiana Small Business Development Center at (219) 644-3515

Stop Reflux at its Source



WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 • 6 PM

COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AUDITORIUM
901 MACARTHUR BLVD, MUNSTER



Michelle Srisuwananukorn, MD
Gastroenterologist

Heartburn sufferers now have a new option for finding relief from gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD) – with the **LINX® Reflux Management System**. Available only at Community Hospital in Munster, LINX is a small device that strengthens the body's natural barrier against acid reflux.

Join Gastroenterologist Michelle Srisuwananukorn, MD, and General Surgeon Russell Pellar, MD, for an overview of LINX and how this minimally invasive method can improve reflux and enhance quality of life.



Russell Pellar, MD
General Surgeon

Free! Registration is required.
Call 219-836-3477 or 866-836-3477.





American Legion Post 180
Ladies Auxiliary

Invites Everyone to

Salute to the Stars

Featuring

*Harley Hehr
& Jim Bulanda*

Mix Bag of Comedy, Singing & Impressions!

Friday, May 10th, 2019

American Legion Post 180 Hall
2703 Jewett Ave (Corner of Ridge Rd & 2nd St),
Highland, Indiana
(219)972-3948

Doors Open at 6:00 pm ★ Show Begins at 7:00 pm

Admission: \$15

Cash Bar ★ 50/50 Raffle ★ Prizes & Laughs!

Tickets can be Purchased at the Door or
Call Kim (219)484-9054 or Post 180 (219)972-3948

Purdue Northwest, Munster, Lake Central, Highland, Griffith, Crown Point Schools BestBuddies Chapters

Any Questions contact Chamber member

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BEST BUDDIES



Supporting Local Programs

Funds raised through the Friendship Walk benefits Best Buddies – the world's largest organization dedicated to ending the social, physical and economic isolation of the 200 million people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Our programs empower the special abilities of people with IDD by helping them form meaningful friendships with their peers, secure successful jobs, live independently, improve public speaking, self-advocacy and communication skills, and feel valued by society.

The IDD community that Best Buddies serves includes, but is not limited to, people with Down Syndrome, Autism, Fragile X, Williams Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, traumatic brain injury and other undiagnosed disabilities.



BEST BUDDIES
FRIENDSHIP WALK



#bestbuddiesfriendshipwalk

To Register

<https://www.bestbuddiesfriendshipwalk.org/lakecounty/register/>

**Saturday
May 11, 2019
Wicker Memorial Park
Highland, IN**

Check-in: 9:00 AM

Opening Ceremonies: 10:30 AM

Walk: 11:00 AM

Celebrate: Until 1:00 PM

Stroke & Diabetes

AWARENESS FAIR



Stroke & Diabetes **AWARENESS FAIR**

SAVE THE DATE

The Center for Visual and Performing Arts
1040 Ridge Road • Munster, IN

Tuesday, May 14 • 9 am - 2 pm

This event is FREE and open to the public.

- **INFORMATIVE LECTURES**
- **FREE SCREENINGS**

Registration is not required.
Valet parking available
Raffle prizes and refreshments



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JOIN US!

A fun evening to celebrate
Legacy Foundation's
26th Annual Meeting

We're recognizing the achievements of 2018 and sharing the Foundation's 2019 goals. Hear how we're working toward our mission of positively transforming Lake County through philanthropy.



LEGACY FOUNDATION

Lake County's Community Foundation

May 14, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Mascot Hall of Fame

1851 Front Street
Whiting, Indiana 46394

NO COST // HEAVY APPETIZERS // CASH BAR // MUSEUM EXPLORATION
REGISTRATION REQUIRED

RSVP by May 7 to legacy@legacyfdn.org or online at legacyfdn.org/events

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