

THE CHAMBER NEWS



The **Foodbank of Northwest Indiana** celebrated their new location with a Ribbon Cutting, Open House and Tours. Executive Director Steven Beekman and Board President Bob Lowry thanked many sponsors, partners and donors for their support. Volunteer or visit their location at 6490 Broadway in Merrillville.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

M&L INSURANCE AGENCY
D/B/A Allstate Insurance
2305 Main Street, Suite B1, Highland
Representative: Michael Lewandoski
mlewandowski@allstate.com
www.allstate.com/mlewandowski

AFTER HOURS@THE FOOD BANK

Tuesday, June 25, 5-7 pm

Food Bank of Northwest Indiana

6490 Broadway, Merrillville

Enjoy light appetizers, beer, wine, and tours. Network with Chamber Members from Crossroads, Duneland, Gary, HighlandGriffith, Lakeshore, Lake Station, Portage, St. John-Dyer, Schererville and Valparaiso for hunger relief.

\$10 RSVP at foodbanknwi.org/afterhours



Thank you to Our Sponsors



Tour de HighlandGriffith
Saturday, June 8, 11:00 am
Wicker Park Stands 1 & 2

Registration Cost is \$20 at the Chamber or
\$15 through Signmeup or Eventbrite
Volunteers welcome to cheer on the riders

Register to Golf, Sponsor a Hole or Donate a Door Prize at the Chamber's annual outing.

Cost to golf \$125, includes cookout lunch, golf, cart, drink tickets, golf balls, door prize, buffet dinner and cash prizes on every hole.

Raffle, Skins Game and Putting Contest

Door Prizes are welcomed and appreciated.





Congratulations

President Shawn Graham, Edward Jones Investments, awarded two \$1000 scholarships from the HighlandGriffith Chamber. Pictured are Griffith Students Michael Worosz and Jonathan Vasilak.

At the recent Highland Dollars for Scholars Awards Night, the Chamber awarded two \$1000 scholarships to Meet Patel and Maya Cezares.



CONGRATULATIONS to our Chamber Members voted for The Times "BEST OF THE REGION 2019"

ALBERT'S DIAMOND JEWELERS
Best Jewelry Store
2nd Best Customer Service

ALLEN LANDSCAPE IN HIGHLAND
2nd Best Landscaping/Tree Service

ASADA GRILL & CANTINA
3rd Best Mexican Food

BAUMS NATURAL FOODS
2nd Best Health Food Store

BOSAK AUTO GROUP
2nd Best Car Dealer - New

BRIDGES SCOREBOARD
3rd Best Bar

BROWN INSURANCE GROUP
2nd Best Insurance Agency - Local Agency/Team

TOM BROWN
2nd Best Insurance Agent

CENTIER BANK
Best Bank
Best Customer Service
Best Place to Work
Best Financial Advisers

CHASE BANK
2nd Best Bank

COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
Best Cardiology Care
Best Hearing Center
Best Hospital
Best Women's Health
2nd Best Pediatric Care

EASY CLEAN CAR WASH
2nd Best Car Wash

ELEGANCE WEDDING & EVENING WEAR
3rd Best Bridal/Formal Wear

FAITH CHURCH
Best Place to Worship

FOOD BANK OF NWI
3rd Best Place to Volunteer

GELSOSOMO'S PIZZERIA
3rd Best Pizza

GRINDHOUSE CAFÉ
Best Coffee House
2nd Best Coffee

HARTSFIELD VILLAGE
Best Retirement/Assisted Living Community
Best Nursing Care/Acute Rehab

HIGHLAND JEWELERS
2nd Best Jewelry Store

HUMANE INDIANA
Best Place to Volunteer

LEVIN TIRE CENTER
Best Car Repair Shop
2nd Best Tire Store

MEIJER
Best Place to Buy Produce
3rd Best Grocery Store

MEYERS COMPANIES
Best Electrician
2nd Best Heating & Cooling

PEOPLES BANK
2nd Best Financial Advisor
3rd Best Place to Work
3rd Best Bank

PLAZA LANES
3rd Best Bowling Alley

POPA HEATING & COOLING
3rd Best Heating & Cooling

REGIONAL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION
3rd Best Credit Union

ROUND THE CLOCK
2nd Best Family Restaurant

STRACK & VAN TIL
Best Caterer
Best Grocery Store

SUPERIOR AMBULANCE
Best Medical Transport/
Ambulance

TAUBER LAW OFFICES
Best Law Office

TEACHERS CREDIT UNION
2nd Best Credit Union

THEO'S STEAK & SEAFOOD
3rd Best Steakhouse

TIGER PLUMBING
3rd Best Plumber

TOWN OF GRIFFITH
3rd Best Downtown
3rd Best Local Festival - Rock N Rail

TRADEWINDS
2nd Best Place to Volunteer

TWINCADE
2nd Best Bar
3rd Best Fun Center

VYTO'S PHARMACY
3rd Best Pharmacy

Chamber Coffee Hour with Highland Griffith and Munster Chamber Members is another great networking opportunity. **We are now going to alternate with another location, day and time to attend.**



Here is the updated schedule:

Thursday, June 20, 8:00 am, Grindhouse Café
 Wednesday, July 17, 9:00 am, The Green Witch
 Thursday, August 15, 8:00 am, Grindhouse Café
 Wednesday, Sept. 18, 9:00 am, The Green Witch
 Thursday, Oct. 17, 8:00 am, Grindhouse Café
 Wednesday, Nov. 20, 9:00 am, The Green Witch
 Thursday, Dec. 19, 8:00 am, Grindhouse Café

The Green Witch is located at 2845 Highway Avenue, in Highland. Reservations not needed.

CHAMBER MEMBER HAPPENINGS

Griffith Branch & YMCA - Yoga in the Park - Mon., June 3, 6 PM at Griffith Central Park. Supplies not included. Free and open to the public

SciFi Donuts - 2019 Canis Major Music Festival - 138 S. Broad St., Griffith Sat., June 8, 12 - 8 PM and Sun., June 9, 12 - 5 PM. Admission is free.

American Legion Post 180 - Breakfast Buffet - 2703 Jewett Ave., Highland Sun., June 9, 8 - 11 AM, \$6 per person all you can eat. Children 5 and under eat free.

Food Bank of NWI - The Soiree - Aquatorium, 6918 Oak Ave., Gary, Sun., June 9, 3 - 6 PM, \$50 tickets available at Eventbrite.com until June 9th.

Pokro Brewing and Griffith First Christian Church - Faith Brewing - 311 N. Broad St., Griffith, Wed., June 12, 6:30 - 7:30 PM. A faith discussion led by Pastor Shawn L. Cornett. Must be 21 to enter

Frank J. Mrvan, North Township Trustee - Family Camp Out at Wicker Park - Reservations are Required call 219.932.2350 x 331
 Fri., June 14, Overnight 6 PM - 9 AM
Cruise Night at Wicker Park - Wed., June 26, 5 - 8 PM
Summer Concert Series - Thur., 7:30 - 10:30 PM
 \$7.00 tickets available at Eventbrite.com
 June 13 - Pearl Jam Chicago; June 20 - Kick INXS Tribute;
 June 27 - Queen Flash
Battle of the Badges Blood Drive - at the Wicker Park Clubhouse, Thur., June 27, 1 - 7 PM To schedule your blood donation appointment, go to redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code NTTB4BWP or call 1-800-RED CROSS.
Missing Persons Day - Sat., June 29 11 AM - 3 PM, This is a FREE event open to the public. Attendance by 1 biologically related family member of the missing person is needed to provide the DNA sample. If police report has been filed, please bring a copy. For more information, call 219-932-2530 x331

Griffith Parks - Movie in the Park at Griffith Central Park, Wed., June 19, 7—8:30 PM, Free.

JUNE CHAMBER CALENDAR

- 4 Chamber Board Meeting, 8:30 am
Chicago Title, Highland Contact 923-3666
- 8 **Tour de HighlandGriffith Bike Ride**
11 am, Wicker Park, Call 923-3666
- 11 Chamber Membership Meeting - Griffith
Central Park. Please RSVP to 923-3666
- 16 Happy Father's Day
- 20 Coffee Hour - Grindhouse Café, 8:00 am

JUNE TOWN EVENTS

Griffith Central Market - Every Friday, 4 - 10, Central Park. Live Music, Beer Garden, Food Trucks and Hand Crafted Wares.

Broad Street Blues & BBQ - June 28, 29, 30
Griffith Central Park. Visit

Highland Car Cruise - Saturday, June 1, 1-5, Downtown Highland. Contact Lancy Ryskamp

Highland Summer Concert Series-Saturdays, 4 - 8 pm, Main Square Park. Contact 838-0114.

Chamber Calendar of Events - 2019

- Tour de HighlandGriffith - June 8, Wicker Park
- Chamber Golf Outing - July 19, Wicker Park
- Chamber Booth at Concert - August
- Wine & Nine Golf Outing - August
- Chamber Booth at Rock n Rail - September
- Holiday Community Market - November

CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 11
 Central Park in Griffith
 11:30 Networking 12-1 Meeting/Lunch
 Cost \$20
 Speaker: Representative Chris Chyung

Please RSVP to the Chamber office, 923-3666
 info@highlandgriffithchamber.com by June 7

2019 HIGHLAND/GRIFFITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Shawn Graham, Edward Jones Investments

Vice President: Kimberly Blaesing, Tiger Plumbing

Secretary: Joe Koranek, Centier Bank

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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.

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Leonard Gregorczyk
Sherry L. Williams-Pressley

Konnie Kuiper - Kevin Nordyke
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Contact the Chamber at 219.923.3666 or
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MEMBER 2019**

HIGHLANDGRIFFITHCHAMBER.COM

THANK YOU!
Tour de HighlandGriffith Sponsors



VOLUNTEER ON THE COURSE!

Sign up to Volunteer to give directions and cheer the riders along the bike course. **Send two or more volunteers and receive a 18 x 24 inch sign with your business logo to place along the bike route.**

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The Routes

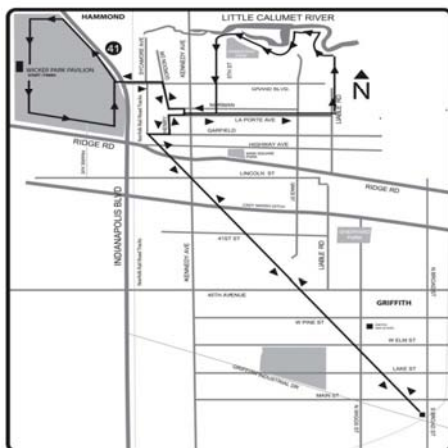
There are four routes which begin and end at the Wicker Park Stand 1 and 2, which is on the northwest side of the park. The 2.2 mile ride stays within Wicker Park. The 7.6 mile ride goes to 45th Ave., the 10.7 mile ride goes to Broad St. in Griffith and the 15 mile ride goes to Broad St. in Griffith and follows the dike trail past the Highland Rookery.

From the Wicker Park Stands head south and follow the Wicker Park bike/walking trail east around the park to the bike tunnel that goes under Indianapolis Blvd. and connects to the bike trail. Turn right onto the bike trail at Grand Park. Follow the bike trail through downtown and past Highland High School to 45th Avenue and cross 45th and continue to Broad St. in Griffith.

For a 7.6 mile ride turn around at 45th Ave. and continue back on the bike trail to Wicker Park.

For a 10.7 mile ride continue to Broad St. in Griffith turn around and continue back on the bike trail to Wicker Park.

For a 15 mile ride continue to Broad St. in Griffith, turn around and continue back on the bike trail, turn right on LaPorte Ave. to the dike trail, follow the levee west, back to 5th St. southbound to LaPorte Ave. and go west to the pick up the bike trail again back to Wicker Park.



THANK YOU!
Tour de HighlandGriffith Sponsors





**Receive \$5 Off \$25
on your Next Meal!**

Texas Corral
9200 Indianapolis Blvd., Highland, IN 46322
219.838.4940
Hours of Operation
Sun-Thur: 11 am - 10 pm
Fri-Sat: 11 am - 11 pm
Valid beginning June 9, 2019 to August 31, 2019.
Dine in only. Alcohol and gratuity not included.
Cannot be combined with other offers or discounts.

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Prefer to apply online? Go to

www.signmeup.com/130519

OR

www.eventbrite.com/e/tour-de-highlandgriffith-tickets-60545245459

Ride Rain or Shine!

Check-in begins at 10:30 am at the Wicker Park Stands 1 and 2 on the northwest side of the park. The bike ride will start promptly at 11 am and is expected to last at least 60 minutes. Cookout lunch will begin after riders return.

Safety

Safety for all participants is the prime concern for everyone. Obey all traffic laws and regulations because the bike route is not a closed course. The course will be open to vehicle traffic on the roads. We suggest using bike helmets, water bottles and wearing light clothing for general visibility and safety. Be safe—Be seen!

Get your bike in perfect mechanical working order. We will provide a well-marked route, but it is up to YOU to obey the rules of the road. For your own safety as well as the safety of the cyclists, remember to stop at stop signs, yield right of way and stay to the right (single file).

Highland and Griffith Police will be available to assist cyclists crossing major intersections.

This is a chance for area residents to enjoy a day of bicycling through our hometowns. This is not a race or a test of stamina. It is intended all participants ride the tour in a safe and intelligent manner. You should be in good physical shape and able to bicycle either the 7.6, 10.7 or 15 miles.

After the Ride

Lunch provided by Texas Corral at the registration site. (You must be wearing the wrist band to receive food). Friends and families may join you for lunch for \$5 (they will be given a wrist band upon payment).

MAIL OR BRING this form with ENTRY FEE to:
HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce
8536 Kennedy Avenue, Highland, IN 46322



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REGISTER TO RIDE!

EARLY sign up thru June 1, 2019
\$15 per rider Includes drawstring bag and lunch
\$5 Children age 12 & under
June 2nd through day of sign up **\$20 per rider**
*Bags available while supplies last

Stop by Ridge Cyclery, 3731 Ridge Rd., Highland for a bicycle check.

Please list all participants names individually.
NAMES (Please Print) **Age**

BICYCLE RAFFLE Sponsored By Ridge Cyclery, Inc.
Enter to win your very own bicycle! Tickets can be purchased at the event for \$5 or 5 for \$20. **Drawing will be done at lunch.**

TOTAL REGISTRATION ENCLOSED: \$
Checks payable to HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce

Release of Organizers and Sponsors

In signing this form for myself or the above named participant (if he/she is under 18) participant shall absolutely and unconditionally indemnify, release and hold North Township, its elected officials, employees, the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce, its officials, employees, members, any volunteer, volunteer organization, sponsors, organizers assisting in the Tour de HighlandGriffith Bicycle Ride, township's representatives, successors and assigns, be they individuals or organization, singularly and collectively, harmless, whether acting in the course of the Tour de HighlandGriffith Bicycle Ride or otherwise, against any losses, claims, demands, judgments, fines, costs, expenses of any kind or nature whatsoever, damages, liabilities (including without limitation claims for personal injury or property or environmental damage, inconvenience suffered, claims or damages payable to participant) and all suits, actions, or proceedings, at law or in equity and from any and all claims, demands, losses, judgments, fines, penalties, except to the extent attributable to sole and direct gross negligence of the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce. Participant shall notify the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce promptly of any such suit, claim or proceeding and shall give the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce authority, information, and assistance (at Participant's expense) for the defense of the same. Participant further agrees to indemnify the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce for any attorney's fee or other costs that the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce incurs or which may arise out of, result from, or be reasonably incurred in the event that the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce has to file a lawsuit to enforce any indemnity or additional insured provision.

Must be signed by a responsible party (18+) to participate.
RESPONSIBLE PARTY (Please Print):

SIGNATURE :

PHONE:

EMAIL* Required for updates, receipts and/or reminders:



HighlandGriffith
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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2019 GOLF OUTING

Friday, July 19, 2019

11 am - Registration & Lunch Noon Shotgun Start

WICKER PARK GOLF COURSE

Indianapolis Blvd & Ridge Road, Highland, IN 46322

COST IS \$125 PER PERSON

This price includes lunch, golf, cart, dinner, drink tickets and golf balls
AND \$25 cash prize on every hole, **Door Prizes and Cash payoffs** for 1st and 2nd place teams.
Driving Range available before golfing

HOLE SPONSORSHIPS

available for \$150

*(Includes Sign and Program Recognition,
and provides \$25 cash prize)*

DOOR PRIZES

*or a \$25 donation to purchase a door
prize are welcomed and acknowledged
in the Program and Newsletter
Call 923-3666*

RESERVATION FORM

BUSINESS _____

EMAIL _____

FOURSOME 1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Hole Sponsorship _____ x \$150 = \$ _____

Number of Golfers _____ x \$125 = \$ _____

Number for dinner only _____ x \$30 = \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

DOOR PRIZE _____

DONATED BY: _____

Method of Payment _____ CHECK (payable to HighlandGriffith Chamber) OR _____ VISA _____ MASTERCARD

Credit card no. _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature: _____

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