



# THE CHAMBER NEWS



**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2018 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS:** (left-right) Past President Susie Pollard, Centsible Heating & Air Conditioning; Treasurer Joe Koranek, Centier Bank; Secretary Kimberly Blaesing, Tiger Plumbing; Vice President Shawn Graham, Edward Jones Investments and President Patricia Makarounas, Regional Federal Credit Union.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

400 W. 44th Place, Griffith, 838-6900

Representative: Pastor Tim Powers

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

Category: Non Profit Organization

### LYNN'S SALON & SPA SUITE, LLC

9521 Indianapolis Blvd., Highland,

Representative: Lynn Bettenhausen

[hairmaster.lynn@gmail.com](mailto:hairmaster.lynn@gmail.com)

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

### MEIJER

10138 Indianapolis Blvd, Highland

Representative: Kelly Kathlina, 924-2109

[Kelly.Kathlina@meijer.com](mailto:Kelly.Kathlina@meijer.com)

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

Category: Retail Grocery Store

### RELISH

223 N. Broad Street, Griffith, 293-6838

Representatives: Carly Haugh/Patti Haugh

[relish.carly@gmail.com](mailto:relish.carly@gmail.com)

Category: Food/Restaurants



**THANK YOU Susie Pollard, Centsible Heating & Air Conditioning,** for serving as the 2017 Chamber President. Our 2018 President Patricia Makarounas presented a plaque at our January Membership Meeting.

## Love Your Business Vendor Fair and Networking Lunch

Thursday, February 8, 9:30 - 2:00

Center for Visual & Performing Arts, Munster

**Browse our Multi-Chamber Vendor Fair and network at lunch with 200 Members. Call or email the Chamber to reserve - lunch \$20. Vendor booths are sold out.**

## THANK YOU TO MORE RENEWING 2018 CHAMBER MEMBERS

Dues received from January 1 - 31, 2018

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

Adams Allstate Insurance  
Bosak Honda  
Bridge's Scoreboard  
Brightwood College - Hammond  
Capri's Pizza  
Chase Bank  
Chicago Title  
Corporate Thread  
Creative Carpet & Flooring  
Crossroads YMCA  
Griffith & Hammond Branches  
Diesel Electrical Equipment, Inc.  
DiTola State Farm Insurance  
Dining Solutions  
Edward Jones Investments -  
Doug Lewis  
Enbridge Energy  
First Financial Bank  
First Savings Bank of Hegewisch  
Griffith Public Schools  
Grindhouse Cafe

Hampton In Highland Apartments  
Highland Community Foundation  
Highland Historical Society  
Highland Jewelers  
Highland Office Center  
Highland Public Works  
Honey Baked Ham and Cafe  
Humane Indiana  
Illiana Indoor Billboards  
Lakeshore Community Concert  
Association  
Mark R. Machnic, CPA  
Mental Health America  
of Lake County  
Metro Recycling  
Miner-Dunn Restaurant  
Moses Eyecare Centers  
NWI Parkinsons, Inc.  
New Oberpfalz Brewing, LLC  
NorthShore Health Centers  
Oak Partners

Peoples Bank  
Phantom Fireworks  
Pokro Brewing Company  
Pop-A-Lock of Northwest Indiana  
Post Tribune  
R Bar & Grill  
Republic Services  
Richardson Sales & Service  
Sarkey's Florist  
Skillman Corporation  
Strack & Van Til  
Subway - Griffith/Highland  
Teachers Credit Union  
Trama Catering at The Center for  
Visual & Performing Arts  
True Lux Car Wash  
Twincade  
Vyto's Pharmacy and Home Health  
Solutions  
Webb Ford  
Wild Birds Unlimited  
Zoup! - Highland



**BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY - Saturday, March 24, 8:30 and 10:00 Seatings  
Highland High School Cafeteria - Tickets \$6 sold in advance at the following locations:**

Centier Bank, 500 N. Broad Street, Griffith and 9701 and 9101 Indianapolis Blvd, Highland  
First Financial Bank, 2750 - 45th Street and 2611 Highway Avenue  
Cakes by Karen, 8632 Kennedy Avenue and Lincoln Center, 2450 Lincoln Street  
Chamber Office, 8536 Kennedy Avenue and online [www.highlandgriffithchamber.com](http://www.highlandgriffithchamber.com)

The Chamber's annual Bunny Breakfast is a fun community event sponsored by our Members. Continental breakfast includes donuts, granola bars or rice krispie treat, bananas, grapes, milk, juice and coffee. Easter Bunny and Friends all available for pictures.

Children receive a McDonald's coupon and pinwheel. Basket raffles available by Members.

## CHAMBER MEMBER HAPPENINGS

**NWI Parkinsons** - *Frank Lyman Design Trunk Show* - Feb. 1 - Feb. 8 at Elizabeth's, 2927 Jewett Ave., Highland. For more info 219-237-2342

**NorthShore Health Centers** - *Give Kids A Smile Day!* - Fri., Feb. 2, 8AM - 3PM, Appointment required, 219-763-8112

**Highland Elks** - *Texas Hold Em* - Sat., Feb. 3, 5PM registration, tournament at 6PM \$60. For more info call: 219-922-8253, 3120 45th St., Highland

**Highland Parks & Recreation** - *Blood Drive* - Tue., Feb. 6, 1:30 - 6:30PM at 2450 Lincoln St., Highland

**Goodwill Career Centers** - *CDL Workshop* - Wed., Feb. 7, 10 - 11AM, at 1601 W. 45th St., Griffith, IN

**Highland Parks & Recreation** - *Daddy Daughter Dance* - Fri., Feb. 9, NO tickets sold on the day of the Dance, purchase tickets at 2450 Lincoln St., Highland

**American Legion Post 180** - *All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet* - Sun., Feb. 11, 8 - 11AM, Corner of Ridge Rd. & 2nd St, Highland. For more info: 219-972-3948

**Adam Gawlikowski & Friends** - at the St. Vincent DePaul of St. James Fundraiser. Sun., Feb. 11, 2 - 4PM, Tickets \$20 at St. James, 9640 Kennedy Ave., Highland

**TradeWinds** - *Fundraising Fun 2018 Bowling* - Mon., Feb. 12, To register 219-945-3128, \$125 individual

**Treasured Friends & Griffith Animal Control** - *Meow Mixer: A Colossal Cat Adoption Event* - Tue., Feb. 13, 4 - 7PM, 121 N. Wood St., Griffith

**Highland Historical Society** - *Author Dan Helpingstine on Images of America, Highland* - Thu., Feb 22, 7PM at The Lincoln Center, 2450 Lincoln St., Highland, Room 108-109

**Humane Indiana** - *15th Annual Gala - Take A Walk On The Wild Side* - Sat., Feb. 24, 5 - 9PM at Avalon Banquet Center, 3550 Lincoln Hwy., Merrillville. Tickets available at humaneindiana.ticketleap.com

**Goodwill Career Center** - *Job Resolution and Conflict Management Workshop* - Wed., Feb. 28, 10 - 11AM at 1601 W. 45th St., Griffith

**WITH OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY** to Chamber Past President John Freyek for the loss of his father John A. Freyek. John celebrated 50 years in banking and retired from First Federal Savings & Loan as CEO and President.

## FEBRUARY CHAMBER CALENDAR

6 Chamber Board of Directors Meeting 8:30 am  
Regional Federal Credit Union, 923-3666

8 Love Your Business Vendor Fair and Lunch  
Center for Visual Arts, Munster, 9:30 - 2:00

14 Happy Valentine's Day

15 Chamber Coffee Hour, Grindhouse Café, 8:00

## FEBRUARY TOWN NEWS

Remember to renew your business license for 2018

**Griffith** fee is \$35, includes fire inspection, in-home businesses \$10. Contact 924-7500.

**Highland** fee is \$30 if paid before March 1. After March 1, the fee is \$50. Contact 838-1080.

Members Only

## MEMBER TO MEMBER FACEBOOK GROUP

Join the Chamber's new **Member to Member** Facebook Group to advertise or promote discounts, sales or special offerings for Chamber Members only. You may also use this forum to connect with members for general networking purposes.

## CHAMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2018

Love Your Business Vendor Lunch - February 8

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

**LOVE YOUR BUSINESS  
VENDOR FAIR & NETWORKING LUNCH**  
Center for Visual & Performing Arts  
1040 Ridge Road, Munster  
Cost \$20 in advance

Please RSVP to the Chamber office  
[info@highlandgriffithchamber.com](mailto:info@highlandgriffithchamber.com) or 923-3666  
by February 2. Sell Out Lunch



## 2018 HIGHLAND/GRIFFITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Patricia Makarounas, Regional Federal Credit Union

Vice President: Shawn Graham, Edward Jones Investments

Secretary: Kimberly Blaesing, Tiger Plumbing

Treasurer: Joe Koranek, Centier Bank

Past President: Susie Pollard, Centsible Heating & Air Conditioning

Michelle Anderson, First Financial Bank

Amy Conn-Kile, Crestview Apartments

Shawn Cornett, Griffith First Christian Church

Christie DeHaan, Zamudio Law Professionals

Margie Dian, First Financial Bank

Bill Leep, Pleasant View Dairy

Rich Miller, Spitz & Miller White & Havens Insurance

Robyn Pokropinski, Pokro Brewing Company

Cindy Rivera, North Township Trustee Frank Mrvan

Joe Starkey, Oak Partners

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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# Breakfast with the Easter Bunny!

Saturday,  
March 24, 2018



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:

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/)

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