

# Lifeline

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"CONNECTING BUSINESSES TO THEIR CUSTOMERS"

Please visit us @www.garvchamber.com and catch a lifeline...

#### ELKART, INDIANA MAYOR TO ADDRESS CHAMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON



**Mayor Rob Roberson** 

The Gary Chamber of Commerce will hold its Monthly General Membership Meeting/ Luncheon on Monday, August 14, 2023, 12:00 Noon at The Chateau Banquets, 530 W. 61st Avenue, Merrillville, IN. Join the Chamber as we welcome the Mayor of Elkhart, Indiana, Mayor Rob Roberson as our guest speaker.

The City of Elkhart has a rich manufacturing tradition with emerging industries. Mayor Roberson will share with members how the city's economic and financial growth through "The Thrive Plan" is working. Can a model of that plan boost our economy and benefit your business? Let's hear what it's all about.

The cost of the luncheon is \$25 per person. Call the Chamber office (219) 885-7407 to reserve your seat(s) today. Payment required in advance.

• LUNCHEON SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE •

Bring your business cards, networking starts at 11:30 a.m. (CST)

#### July Gary Chamber General Membership Meeting/Luncheon



Lakeshore Public Media



Thank you to Notre Dame FCU for that every popular door prize of a \$100 Gas Card won by Dorothy Simmons of the Gary Public Transportation Co. Other business door prize donations were: HealthVisions Midwest, Aperion Care-Tolleston Park, City of Gary Common Council, Centier Bank, and Lakeshore Public Media.

#### **NEW MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT**

July was a great month for recruitment of new members to the Chamber. Pictured (L-R) are: Antonio Stidman, Crown Investment Group; Waylan "Cooley" Phillips, Cooley's Video Production; DeAndra Devitt, Valparaiso University, and Russell "Reliable Russell" Thomas, Night Life Entertainment Center.



#### What's Up Chuck?

#### BUSINESS-AFTER-HOURS-AIG BUSINESS CENTER



The Gary Chamber will circulate a member survey this month. We kindly request a few minutes of your time to complete the survey and return it to our office in a timely manner.

Chuck Hughes

We truly value your membership and want to ensure

that we continue to provide you with the best experience possible. Your feedback is essential in helping us understand how we can improve and meet your expectations. Look for it in the coming week.

If you didn't attend **Faith Works** Community Center Open House you missed a treat.



Rev. Dennis Walton, pictured left, invited guests to tour his new sprawling community center located at 1351 W. 11th Ave., Gary.

For information on Faith Works mission or to visit the facility and see for yourself, call Teri 219.484.7078.



Armand Investment Group (AIG) hosted the July Chamber monthly networking event "Business-After-Hours". Cory Armand, owner of AIG Business Center pictured left with Dr. Vanessa Allen-McCloud of the Urban League of NWI opened this areas one of a kind professional business service center. AIG offers private and co-working office space, mail boxes, and conference room rentals. For additional information on AIG services call Cory at (219) 613-2849 or visit: 3709 Broadway,







MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME! YOUR INVOICE IS IN THE MAIL QUESTIONS? CALL JAN 219.885.7407

#### GARY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - UP COMING ACTIVITIES - Mark your calendar!

August 14 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - 12:00 Nooon

August 16 Economic/Business Development Committee Meeting - 9:00 am
August 17 Business After Hours - HealthVisions Midwest - 5:30 pm—7:30 pm

August 25 Education Committee Meeting - 11:00 am

August 28 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - 11:30 am
August 31 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 9:00 am

#### Member Activities—Additional Announcements & Flyers See Attachments

- ♦ CONGRATULATIONS! Attorney Thomas Dakich has been named to the Prestigious IBJ Media Indiana 250, a list of the state's most influential business and community leaders. Mr. Dakich and his team at Quantum Corridor soon will announce a multiphase project with large tech companies to deliver high speed bandwidth to communities in Indiana. More info about Quantum Corridor visit: Ouantumcorridor.io.
- ♦ August 8, 2023 "National Night Out", 6PM—9PM, Gary RailCats Stadium, 1 Stadium Plaza. Join Law Enforcement and Community celebrate families and violence prevention. FREE food, MJ Performer, Dunk Tank, Fun for Everyone! (see flyer).
- ♦ August 9, 2023—Gary Public Transportation Co. invites you to the unveiling ceremony of the first Electric Bus Fleet in Northwest Indiana, 8:30 am, Indiana University NW, 3400 Broadway, Gary, Parking lot #1. For info: call David Wright 219.885.7555 or email: planningmanager@gptcbus.com.
- ♦ August 10 & 24, 2023—Healthy Harvest Farmers Market, 11 AM—2 PM, Gary Health Department, 1145 W. 5th Ave., Gary. Fresh and delicious fruits & vegetables at wholesale prices.
- ◆August 11, 2023 Ivan-Cord Consulting presents "Share Your Vision Conference, 1pm—9pm, Indiana Wesleyan University, 8415 Georgia St., Merrillville. Business owners will gather to share their entrepreneur experience. The Vision continues, August 12th, 3pm—9pm, Spotlight Lounge, 4774 Broadway, Gary. RSVP required. For info: call Antonio 219.263.0030 or Eventbrite.com (see flyer).
- August 12, 2023—5th Annual Flavors of the Region, Gateway Park, 350 Broadway, Gary, 8am-5pm. 3K morning run, Aerobics Classes, Food Trucks, Vendors, Kids Zone, Cooking Demos, Gary Symphony Orchestra. Questions? Email: <a href="mailto:de-caydevils@gmail.com">de-caydevils@gmail.com</a>.
- ♦ August 17, 2023 A Business After Hours, HealthVisions Midwest, LLC, 5:30 pm –7:30 pm, 3700 179th Street, Hammond. Network and connect with like minded businesses. RSVP <u>Eventbrite</u> or call: Winnie 219.844.2698, or Jan 219.885.7407 (see flyer).
- ♦ August 19, 2023—Faith Works Media Docuseries, Red Carpet Premier "Relentless Faith " Rebuilding the City of Gary. Episode 1, The Rise & Decline of Gary. Faith Community Center, 1351 W. 11th Avenue, Gary. Registration required: relentlessfaithpremiere.eventbrite.com (see flyer).



# **BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**

Networking, Connecting and Conversation

- Time: 5:30 pm 7:30 pm
- Location: Health Visions Midwest, Inc
- Address: 3700 179th St, Hammond IN, 46323

If you have any questions call Jan 219.885.7407 or Winnie Medina 219-844-2698











Please join us for our

Community Back to School Bash!

2350 Taft St., Gary, IN 46404 Saturday, August 5 | 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Gary One Love Firefighter Association will donate backpacks to the first 200 children in attendance!





THE PHOENIX

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EXHIBIT

EBONY GRIFFIN-SHARRIEFF

5:30 PM **AUS** 

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# **RAILCATS STADIUM**

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Dr. McGee, E.R. Doctor & Motivational Speaker |
Local High School Talent | Michael Jackson impersonator



You're Invited to Our Unveiling Ceremony!
Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at 8:30 a.m.
Indiana University Northwest
3400 Broadway, Gary, Indiana 46408
Parking Lot #1



The new electric buses will go into service on the Broadway Metro Express (Bmx) route, becoming the first electric bus fleet in Northwest Indiana!

Refreshments will be available at the event.

The rapid bus line serves stations along Broadway in Gary, stopping near locations such as Ivy Tech, Indiana University Northwest, J's Breakfast Club, and Broadway Lofts. The Bmx also includes over 20 stops within Merrillville and Crown Point, such as the Merrillville Town Hall, Adam Benjamin, Jr. VA Outpatient Clinic, and Lake County Government Building.

For more information about the event or to request reasonable accommodation for the visual or hearing impaired, please contact David W. Wright, Planning and Marketing Manager, at 219.885.7555 extension 204 or email PlanningManager@gptcbus.com.







# SHARE YOUR VISION



# FRIDAY AUGUST 11, 2023

**1PM-9PM** 

## **Indiana Wesleyan University**

8415 Georgia Street Merrilliville, In 46410

## TOPICS TO DISCUSS:

Social Media Marketing Trademark **Business Formation Business Credit Grant Writing** Health & Wellness SBA



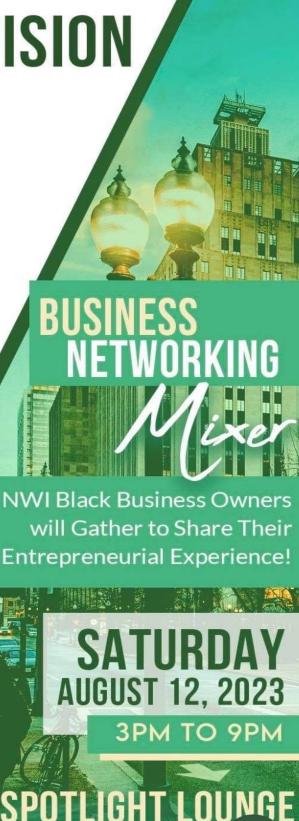
# LIGHT LOUNGE

4774 BROADWAY GARY II





**SCAN ME** 





Celebration Fundraiser



DONATION TIBES: \$50 /\$75/\$100

DONATIONS PAYABLE ONLINE@aquatorium.org ZELLE (garyaquatorium@gmail.com) or @THE DOOR Red Carpet Premiere

REBUILDING THE CITY OF GARY

# SATURDAY AUGUST 19TH

FaithWerks

**E**pisode 1

The Rise & Decline of Gary

RED CARPET

SHOWTIME 2:00PM



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TOGETHER

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