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AIM FORMALLY KNOWN AS "INDIANA ASSOCIATION OF CITIES AND TOWNS" CEO TO ADDRESS CHAMBER LUNCHEON

The Gary Chamber of Commerce will hold its Monthly General Membership Luncheon on Monday, June 13, 2022, 11:30 a.m., in the Hard Rock Casino Northern Indiana, Gary, Council Oak Steakhouse. The featured guest speaker will be Matthew C. Greller, CEO of AIM formally known as Indiana Association of Cities and Towns.

AIM, a vibrant and engaged organization, remains the official voice of municipal government in Indiana, with more than 460 cities and towns as members. AIM's main purpose is to foster, promote and advocate for the success of Indiana municipalities which is needed for the success of many businesses, large and small located in our region.

Join us on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 11:30 a.m., at the Hard Rock Casino's Council Oak Steakhouse, 5400 W. 29th Avenue, Gary, Indiana.

The meeting/luncheon is open to all interested parties. The cost is \$25 per person.

*** Reservations must be paid in advance ***

We now accept American Express, Master Card and Visa Credit and Debit cards

Call the Chamber office (219) 885-7407 to reserve your seat(s) today.



Luncheon Sponsor

Dr. Khanna's
Returning Youth Initiative

World Civility Day Celebration a Huge Success in Northwest Indiana

World Civility Day attracted people and organizations from nine states and representatives from civility-themed organizations. The partnership between the Gary Chamber of Commerce and The Times Media Company provided information to a standing room only audience for both the daylong Civility themed workshops at the Dean and Barbara White Community Center, Merrillville and the evening celebration at Avalon Manor, Merrillville.

Our most distinguished guest Ambassador Dr. Clyde Rivers, Founder and President of iChange Nations and the Human Rights Global Congress welcomed guests traveling from all over the United States to receive *Civility Honors Awards* presented by Ambassador Dr. Rivers. The Gary Chamber of Commerce presented state Representative Earl Harris Jr., with the *Community Civility Counts Award* for the recognition he received from the Association of Retired Members of the Indian General Assembly, the 2022 Civility in Government Award.

Special guest presenters for the evening awards festivities were Mark Lopez, who presented the Congressional Record from U.S. Rep. Frank J. Mrvan, Jr., and the Reverend Dr. Janette Wilson, Esq., Human & Civil Rights Attorney, Rainbow Push Excel of Chicago. Lastly we must give thanks to our special guest keynote speaker, Robert A. Rohm, Ph.D., Author & Corporate Trainer of Atlanta Georgia.

SAVE-THE-DATE: We are already looking forward to World Civility Day, April 13, 2023



MEN'S HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

April 2022—General Membership Meeting/Luncheon
 Speaker: Peter Visclosky, Chairman Gary/Chicago Int'l Airport
Luncheon Sponsors: AvPorts—B. Coleman Aviation—Boeing Co.



Chuck Says:
Our Goal is Member Satisfaction... Become a Chamber Member



GARY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/LUNCHEONS HAVE BEEN FANTASTIC. IF YOU HAVEN'T ATTENDED ONE, DO YOURSELF A FAVOR AND DO SO....SOON!



May 2022 Guest Speaker:
Lloyd Yates,
 President/CEO NiSource



Luncheon Sponsors:
 Returning Youth Initiative
 Notre Dame Federal Credit Union

Gary Chamber of Commerce Activities

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| June 15, 2022 | <u>Economic/Business Development Committee Meeting</u> | 9:00 a.m. |
| June 24, 2022 | <u>Education Committee Meeting</u> | 11:00 a.m. |
| June 27, 2022 | <u>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING</u> | 11:30 a.m. |

Member Activities—(see attached flyers)

- ▶ GEO Academy—21st Century Charter School, Gary graduating class of 2022, featured on ABC'S Good Morning America, <https://www.goodmorningamerica.com/GMA3/video/helping-underprivileged-students-achieve-college-education-85085916>.
- ▶ June 6-8, 2022—Gary Historical Cultural Society, Inc. in partnership with St. John Lutheran Church will host the annual Kids Summer Enrichment Program for ages 6-14. Peace Baptist Church, 1201 Chase St., Gary. Call Linda Jones 219.680.7215 or ghsin@yahoo.com.
- ▶ June 8, 2022—Methodist Hospitals presents a Free Virtual Heart Seminar, 4:00pm. The latest treatments and management tools helping to live fuller lives with heart failure, presented by Thach Nguyen, MD | Cardiology. Reserve today 888.909.3627.
- ▶ June 13, 2022—FIRST Financial Bank will host a live and online panel discussion on tips for small businesses seeking capital, 5:00-6:00 p.m., 5974 W. Ridge Road, Gary. To register contact CURE at 219-980-6978.
- ▶ June 15, 2022—Lake County Community Planning Event. A collaborative action kick-off event to reduce health disparities of northern Lake County Community. St. Timothy Community Church. Registration Required.
- ▶ June 14, 2022—Fulcrum BioEnergy on-site tour of new clean industry company coming to Gary. Gary Arthouse, 411 E. 5th Ave., 5-7:00 p.m. Registration required: www.onsitewithfulcrumcenterpoint.com.
- ▶ June 18-19, 2022—Juneteenth Freedom Celebration presented by Mayor Jerome A. Prince and Partners. The Grounds of Gary City Hall, 401 Broadway. June 18th: Saturday 12pm-dusk, June 19th Sunday 3pm—7pm. For vendor and more information call 219-881-1300, or visit www.gary.gov or www.facebook.com/reimagineGary.



ABC's "Good Morning America"
Features GEO Schools and Our Students



What a great way to start the week and end the month of May. Enjoy this report from ABC's "Good Morning America." I love sharing our student success stories.

<https://www.goodmorningamerica.com/GMA3/video/helping-underprivileged-students-achieve-college-education-85085916>

We can do more and we will do more. To learn more about GEO Academies, our student success outcomes or how you can join our efforts, visit <https://geoacademies.org/> or give me a call at 317-694-9985.

Sincerely,

Kevin Teasley
Founder & President



ON-SITE WITH FULCRUM

information session

Tuesday, June 14, 2022
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Gary Arthouse
411 E. 5th Avenue
Gary, IN 46402

Join us for a presentation and discussion about the new clean industry company coming to Gary and our innovative approach to waste reduction and renewable fuels.

Bus tours to the Fulcrum plant site will be available

You must register in advance for this event:

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Presented by Thach Nguyen, MD | Cardiology

Join Dr. Nguyen for a far-reaching discussion about the latest treatments and management tools that are helping patients live fuller lives with heart failure.



Space is Limited!

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METHODIST
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tips for small businesses seeking capital

A Panel Discussion

Entrepreneurs seeking to start or grow their small business are invited to attend this live and online session to receive lending advice from the experts. Participants will hear from panels representing public, non-profit, and private lending spheres. The discussion will cover what lenders are looking for in potential borrowers and how businesses can increase their chances of securing loans. The session will be presented by First Financial Bank's Harry Langbehn, Commercial Relationship Manager, and Anthony Manuel, Financial Wellness Specialist, and will be held concurrently via Zoom and in-person at the First Financial Bank in Gary.

June 13, 2022 | 5:00pm – 6:00pm

**5974 West Ridge Road
Gary, Indiana 46408**

Use the rear entrance to access the First Financial Bank Community Room.

Register Now

Those needing assistance with the online registration form can contact CURE at 219-980-6978.

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JUNE 15, 2022 - COMMUNITY PLANNING EVENT - LAKE COUNTY



A COLLABORATIVE ACTION KICK-OFF EVENT TO REDUCE HEALTH DISPARITIES

[*Please click here to Register.*](#)

Join community members at St. Timothy Community Church as we work together to hear the voice of the community, spur collaboration, and develop a plan to improve the health of the northern Lake County community. At this day-long Community Planning Event, you will approach health equity strategy through the lens of healthcare, education, safety, and economics, and commit to participation in an ongoing workgroup of your choice. You will leave the event with a meaningful plan, including self-assigned action items. During this free, inclusive workshop, you will be asked to imagine a diverse northern Lake County today, where historically underserved residents are heard as a result of dismantling systemic health, education, safety, and economic disparities. To work toward making this vision a reality, you'll collaborate in small groups through the **Indiana Healthy Opportunities for People Everywhere (I-HOPE)** initiative.

Community Planning Event -north Lake County

Host: St. Timothy Community Church

Date/Time: Wednesday, June 15, 2022, from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (networking from 8:30-8:50 a.m. with coffee and muffins)

Location: St. Timothy Community Church 1600 W. 25th Ave. Gary, IN 46404

Registration is required.

[*Please click here to Register.*](#)

[I-HOPE Community Planning Event hosted at St. Timothy Community Church Registration, Wed, Jun 15, 2022 at 8:30 AM | Eventbrite](#)



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JUNE 18-19
2022

Mayor Jerome A. Prince and
Partners
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The grounds of City Hall
401 Broadway, Gary, IN 46402

18th | Sat. 12pm - dusk ★ 19th | Sun. 3pm - 7pm

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