



Lifeline

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“CONNECTING BUSINESSES TO CUSTOMERS”

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METHODIST HOSPITALS “100 YEARS AND COUNTING” CHAMBER LUNCHEON SPEAKER CEO MATT DOYLE

The Gary Chamber of Commerce will hold its Monthly General Membership Meeting/Luncheon on Monday, June 12, 2023, 12:00 Noon at the Chateau Banquet Hall, 530 W. 61st Avenue, Merrillville, IN. Join the Chamber as we welcome Matthew Doyle, President, Chief Executive Officer of Methodist Hospitals as our guest speaker.



2023 marks 100 years Methodist Hospitals have been serving Northwest Indiana’s healthcare needs. You are invited to hear the continued mission of Mr. Doyle and Methodist Hospitals to serve the citizens and the business community the next 100 years.

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

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

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

New Chamber members are always spotlighted at any Chamber event. The May General Meeting/Luncheon welcomed 4 new members, the day belonged to: (l-r) Karen Williams, Fluid Communications, Gary; Katrina Terry, LI-ON195 Against Trafficking, Inc., Indianapolis; Cory Armand, Armand Investment Group, LLC, Gary; Tonita Hamer, Daisy’s Daughters, Gary. Contact info can be found on www.garychamber.com.

HEART OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY

History shows that Chambers of Commerce play a critical role in NWI and offer support, friendship to build community, and a climate for success. Chambers are known to be the “voice of business” striving to help business and positively impact communities.

Chambers are the heartbeat of the business community and the best place to join to support business enterprises.

Get your application to join the **Gary Chamber of Commerce** today! Call 219-885-7407, email: jbowden@garychamber.com

WHAT'S UP CHUCK?

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS—BIG SHOULDERS FUND (To Schedule Your BAH Call Jan (219) 885-7407)

The Gary Chamber is proud to announce that our President/CEO Chuck Hughes was honored as Indiana University's School of Public & Environmental Affairs Alumnus of the year 2023. He also had the distinction of being the keynote speaker at their Hooding and Robing graduation ceremony. We are proud of the continued accomplishments and achievements of our President/CEO.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY RIBBON CUTTING

Habitat for Humanity of NWI celebrated the new addition to the ReStore at 6114 W. Ridge Road, Griffith with a Ribbon Cutting Celebration. There is now more space for all the donated items they receive.

Dawn Michaels invites you to come out and see the large inventory available. For store hours call: 219-923-7265 or visit: www.nwihabitat.org

GARY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERS - UP COMING ACTIVITIES - Mark Your Calendar!

Gary Chamber of Commerce Activity

June 12	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/LUNCHEON	12:00 Noon
June 19	JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION	
June 21	Economic/Business Development Committee Meeting	9:00 a.m.
June 26	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING	11:30 a.m.
June 23	Education Committee Meeting	11:00 a.m.
June 29	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING	9:00 a.m.



Member Activities—Additional Announcements & Flyers (1 of 13) Attached.

- ▶ **Congratulations! Notre Dame Federal Credit Union (NDFCU)** voted a “Best Credit Union” in The Times of Northwest Indiana’s 2023 Best of the Region Awards! Also, the “Best Banker” award was awarded to NDFCU’s Jesse Hunt, Director of Commercial Lending. Jesse was also named to The Times of NWI 20 Under 40 list in 2022. NDFCU is proud to serve and give back to the community of Lake County and plans to stay a Best Credit Union.
- ▶ **Community HealthNet Health Centers (CHN)** hosted an Open House at its 6100 Broadway location to showcase its Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program also known as S.A.N.E. The program is led by Rebecca Baker-Carr, RN who will provide comprehensive health care to survivors of sexual assault. Referrals to S.A.N.E. can be made by calling 219-743-2537. For additional info call CHN 219-880-1190 or visit www.chn-indiana.org (see flyer).
- ▶ **June 5-29, 2023—Gary Community Schools Corporation** Free Summer Enrichment Program Grades K-5, M-TH, 12-2:30pm. Locations: Glen Park Academy, McCullough Academy, Williams Elementary. For info contact: Christine Preston (219) 702-8025 or cpreston@garyschools.org (see flyer).
- ▶ **June 5, 2023—Gary Historical & Cultural Society** Kids Summer Enrichment for Learning Program, Christ United Methodist Church, 201 W. Ridge Rd., Gary, M-TH 8:30am-12:30pm. For more info call: Linda Jones (219) 680-7215. \$25 ages 6-14 yrs. old. Ending July 7 (see flyer).
- ▶ **June 8, 2023—Goodwill Larry Neff Center for Career Connections** is bringing “On The Go” sign up for services to Concord Village, 3-6pm, 5001 W. 19th Ave. Food, Music, Activities. For info: jprophet@goodwill-ni.org.
- ▶ **June 13, 2023—Allies for Community Business Webinar: Becoming WBE and MBE Certified.** Being certified can help a business owner qualify for contracts offered by large institutions. Free coaching workshops will review the steps needed. Contact 312-275-3000 or info@a4cb.org for additional information (see flyer).
- ▶ **June 13, 2023—Indiana University Northwest Redhawk Registration Days, 10am—2pm.** This is an opportunity for first year students to enroll into classes. Additional day: June 20th. For more info, visit www.iun.edu/redhawk-registration (see flyer).
- ▶ **June 14, 2023—HealthVision Midwest Business After Hours, 5pm-Until, Fuzzyline Brewing Co., 2712 Condit St., Highland.** Networking, Food, Cocktails. RSVP call: 219-844-2698 ext. 104 or email: d Bailey@hvusa.org (see flyer).
- ▶ **June 15, 2023—Goodwill and WorkOne** will host a job fair, to fill various positions, Larry Neff Center, 4610 W. Ridge Rd, Gary, 12-2pm. Goodwill is also hosting a job search and interview workshop, June 22nd, 1-3pm, at the Larry Neff Center. Call 219-964-4225 to register.
- ▶ **June 15, 2023—Edgewater Health “Men Leading Men to Better Health, 12-1pm, FREE, 1100 W. 6th Ave.** (see flyer)
- ▶ **June 17, 2023—Methodist Hospitals 100th Year Anniversary Celebration, 6:00pm, Hard Rock Casino Northern Indiana, 5400 W. 29th Ave, Gary.** Formal Attire. Proceeds will benefit the Methodist Hospitals Vision Fund.

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AGES
8-14**

KIDS ENRICHMENT SUMMER PROGRAM

Hosted & Sponsored by: Returning Youth Indiana

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Registration Fee

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YOU'RE INVITED

Please join us for the Aquinas Catholic Community School Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in celebration of their expansion!

The multi-million dollar project has enhanced and expanded the school's footprint to help accommodate its rapidly growing student population.

The event will feature remarks by representatives from the Catholic Diocese of Gary, Aquinas Catholic Community School, Holy Martyrs Parish, the Dean and Barbara White Family Foundation and Big Shoulders Fund. Tours and other special activities will be offered as well.

Monday, June 12, 2023 | 2 pm to 4 pm
801 W 73rd Ave, Merrillville, IN 46410



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Men Leading Men to Better Health

Thursday, June 15 • 12-1 p.m.

Edgewater Health • 1100 W. 6th Ave.



It's no secret men seek medical care less often than women do, even when dealing with serious health issues like heart disease, diabetes, hypertension, or cancer. The lack of health awareness puts men at a disadvantage. Encouraging men to normalize the behavior of self-care can create a new movement with better long-term results.

For the next Mind, Body and Spirit presentation, **Dr. Benjamin Leon** will address this topic head-on. Join us for **"Men Leading Men to Better Health"**.

Dr. Leon, originally a native of Guyana, is an ordained and licensed minister, holding credentials from the National Baptist Convention, USA; the Church of God; and the

Disciples of Christ. He is currently Senior Pastor for Heritage Community Christian Fellowship, located in Merrillville.

Dr. Leon has been a preacher, teacher, licensed mental health counselor, licensed clinical addictions counselor and motivational speaker for the past 30 years.

Dr. Leon is the current Clinical Director of Sibis Counseling Center, LLC, located in Gary, where he practices in the field of mental health.



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FREE EVENT

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MONDAY - THURSDAY

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SUMMER SCHOOL**



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**THURSDAY
JUNE 8TH**

3PM-6PM CST

**CONCORD
VILLAGE**

Programs on site:

- ✓ Second Chance
- ✓ Nurse-Family Partnership
- ✓ Excel Center
- ✓ Ability First
- ✓ The Academy (Skilled Trades)
- ✓ Other community agencies



Our Purpose

Goodwill on the Go is bringing Goodwill services directly to individuals in the community.

For more information:
jprophet@goodwill-ni.org



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201 W Ridge Road Gary, IN 46408

June 5 - July 7

M-TH 8:30 -12:30

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June 13th

@ 11AM



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May 1, 2023

Dear Employer/Agency:

The Northwest Indiana Justice Coalition would like to invite you to participate in our Summer Job/Resource Fair on Tuesday, June 27th, 2023. The Northwest Indiana Justice Coalition consists of organizations in Northwest Indiana who have partnered together for the same vision:

“To work together as a community connecting justice-involved citizens with career/job opportunities and referrals to other resources in NWI including housing, food, counseling, transportation, health and mental health and any other resources to reduce barriers toward self-sufficiency.”

We are targeting employers from Transportation, Distribution, Logistics and Manufacturing, Healthcare, Retail, and Customer Service Industries. The Summer Job/Resource Fair is June 27th from **10AM - 3 PM**, at the **Railcats Stadium located at 1 Stadium Plaza, Gary, IN 46402**.

This event will allow numerous employers and organizations to promote their employment opportunities, education and training, internships, and seasonal opportunities to our citizenry (includes justice-involved individuals).

Please refer to the following itinerary to plan your participation for this fair:

9-10 AM: Recruiter sign-in and booth set-up

10 AM-3PM: Open fair format for citizenry traffic and interviewing

1PM – 1:30 PM: Luncheon for employers

The employer registration fee is \$55 and you can register online using our Eventbrite page:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/second-chance-job-resource-fair-tickets-625557548467>

Please note that organization registration ends Wednesday, May 31st.

A table, two chairs, and lunch for two (2) recruiters will be provided - **please let us know if you require a vegan lunch so that it can be arranged for you**. If you are interested in conducting on-site interviews, we need to know ahead of time for logistic purposes.

We look forward to hosting you at our Summer Job/Resource Fair! If you have any questions, please contact our Coordinator Diana Sandlin at 219-741-8568, dsandlin@gary.gov.

Yours Truly,

Diana Sandlin
Coordinator, NWI Justice Coalition



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