



**Have You Reserved for the
General Membership Luncheon?**

Wednesday, February 26, 2014

11:30am - Networking; 12:00 pm - Lunch

**Speaker: Mayor Anthony Copeland
City of East Chicago**

**Location: Ameristar Casino East Chicago
777 Ameristar Blvd
East Chicago, IN 46312**

Topic: "East Chicago- 2014"

Cost: \$20.00

Reservations are required.

**Please call the Lakeshore Chamber Office at
219-931-1000.**

Please RSVP by Monday, February 24, 2014

**Please note that you can prepay over the phone with
Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and
American Express.**

Purdue University Calumet Hosts The Big Sell

The Big Sell is a non-profit event established to promote entrepreneurship, innovation, leadership and economic development regionally and nationally. Every applicant who is selected will have two minutes to sell their idea to some of the best and brightest business minds in Northwest Indiana. The Big Sell application deadline is Saturday, March 1, 2014. The Big Sell Event will take place on Saturday, March 29, 2014 at the Radisson Hotel at Star Plaza, Merrillville, IN from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm. Event tickets are \$25. For more info about The Big Sell, please contact, Dushan Nikolovski at (219) 989-3159 or e-mail Nikolovski@Purduecal.edu

**United Neighborhoods, Inc. Hosts First Time
Homebuyer's Educational Workshops**

Join United Neighborhoods, Inc. for their free homebuyer's comprehensive workshop featuring local experts on Wednesday, February 26, 2014 from 9:00 am- 5:00 pm at the Hammond Innovation Center, 5209 Hohman Avenue, Hammond, IN 46320. For more information and to register, please call (219) 937-0200

**Hammond Family YMCA's Bottle Cap Drive
Earns New Equipment**



The Hammond Family YMCA partnered with the Lake County Solid Waste Management District to collect 400 pounds of bottle caps in exchange for a new bench. The kids at the YMCA (pictured above) are shown collecting bottle caps. **Congratulations Hammond Family YMCA on your success!!**

**Highroad Consulting, LTD Launches
New Post Audit Firm**

Sandra Dearden, President and CEO of Highroad Consulting, LTD announced the launch of a new company FRateAudit in response to the need for quality post audit services. They are very enthusiastic about the new company and the opportunity to provide the highest quality audit recovery services. To learn more about this new company, please call Mike Romanow at (219) 838-9530 or visit www.takehighroad.com

**The Urban League of Northwest Indiana, Inc.
Presents 2nd Annual Diversity and Inclusion
Awards Luncheon**

The Urban League of Northwest Indiana, Inc.'s 2nd Annual Diversity and Inclusion Awards Luncheon will be held on Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 11:30 am at the Avalon Manor Banquet Hall, Hobart, IN. Please visit www.urbanleagueofnwi.org for tickets and sponsorship opportunities. For more information, please e-mail diversity2014@ulofnwi.org or call their office at (219) 887-9621



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MARCH 6

City of Hammond Mayor's Disabilities Awards Breakfast

8:00 am– 10:00 am; Dynasty Banquets, 4125 Calumet Avenue, Hammond, IN. For complimentary tickets, please call (219) 853-6371

MARCH 12

Lakeshore Chamber Ambassador Committee Meeting

12:00 pm; Location: TBD. Stay tuned for more information.

MARCH 19

Save The Date– General Membership Luncheon

11:30 am– Networking; 12:00 pm– Lunch; Speaker: Congressman Pete Visclosky. For more information, please call the Lakeshore Chamber Office at (219) 931-1000.

MARCH 20

Urban League of NWI Hosts 2nd Annual Diversity & Inclusion Luncheon

11:30 am; Avalon Manor Banquet Hall, Hobart, IN. Please visit www.urbanleagueofnwi.org for tickets and sponsorship opportunities. For more information, please e-mail diversity2014@ulofnwi.org or call their office at (219) 887-9621

Have You Updated Your Contact Information?

Is your information correct on our website?

- **New Business Name?**
- **New Website/ Web Page?**
- **New Contact Person? New Contact Number(s)?**
 - **New Location?**
- **Business Classification?**

Please contact the Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce at (219) 931-1000 or you can e-mail lcc@lakeshorechamber.com to update your changes.



Lakeshore Views

Calendar of Events



February 24, 2014

Additional information can be viewed on our website at www.lakeshorechamber.com



COMMITTEES

A. Ambassador Committee

Sandra Sigler, Committee Co-Chair

Jason Rebar, Committee Co-Chair

Committed to the growth and development of new and existing chamber members. They also establish networking opportunities and develop business relationships through the “Quarterly-Meet-ups”. Members of the Ambassador committee attend ribbon-cutting events and help organize our general membership luncheons.

B. Governmental Affairs / Manufacturer’s Committee

Tom Keilman, Committee Chair

Organized to discuss local, state, and federal legislation that affects businesses and our economic environment. They arrange for local officials to participate in chamber-sponsored debates, review pertinent legislation and serve as our liaison between the chamber and our elected officials.

C. Small Business Committee

Monica Rubio, Committee Chair

Recently re-organized to create special networking opportunities for chamber members and business ideas exchange seminars as well as continue our successful referral luncheons. This committee also recognizes the Business Person of the Month.

D. Education Committee

Calvin Bellamy, Committee Chair

The Education Committee plays an important role by working with both Hammond and East Chicago School Systems, as they relate to our business community.

E. Special Events Committee

Monica Garcia, Committee Chair

This committee consists of over 30 chamber members. Their focus is to develop programs that enhance the chamber experience. These events have a large networking component, and 2012 events include:

Annual Awards Dinner

Cross-town Classic Sox Vs. Cubs

Annual Golf Outing

Business Expo

Committees are an excellent way to meet fellow chamber members. They also act as an ideal way to develop your employees. Through our committee structure, employees are offered an opportunity to enhance their team building, leadership and creative thinking skills.

If you are interested in being a part of the chamber committee structure, please call the Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce office @ 931-1000 or send an e-mail message to: monique@lakeshorechamber.com.