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SOLD OUT



Bill Hanna

DEAN AND BARBARA WHITE FAMILY FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ADDRESS CHAMBER LUNCHEON

Gary Chamber of Commerce monthly luncheon welcomes the newly appointed Executive Director of the Dean and Barbara White Family Foundation, William “Bill” Hanna as our guest speaker for the October 11, 2021 general membership meeting/luncheon.

As prior President and CEO of the Regional Development Authority, Bill is known for cultivating legacy projects that support the health, wellness and economic sustainability of the region.

Let’s come out to hear Mr. Hanna’s plans for the Region in his new role with the DBW Family Foundation at the Hard Rock Casino’s Council Oak Steak House, 5400 West 29th Avenue, Gary, 12:00 Noon. Space is limited so make your reservations early.

The meeting/luncheon is open to all interested parties. Networking starts at 11:30am. The cost is \$25 per person. Reserve your seat(s) today with advance payment.

We now accept American Express, Master Card and Visa Credit Cards as well as Debit cards.

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

Call the Chamber office (219) 885-7407.



Mayor Jerome Prince

The Chamber thanks Mayor Jerome Prince for being our guest speaker at the September General Membership Meeting/Luncheon.

Mayor Prince provided informational updates and developments currently in the city of Gary, and presented the proposed spending plan for the first round of funding from the \$80 million American Rescue Plan the city will receive.

Below: Luncheon attendees are winners “more way than one”

CONGRATULATIONS



NEW MEMBERS INTRODUCED AT CHAMBER LUNCHEON



New members of the Gary Chamber in attendance at the September General Membership Luncheon. Pictured l-r: Scott Williams, S.L. Williams & Associates, Inc.; Dionte Glover, Healthy N Space, LLC; Michael Coleman, HealthVisions Midwest, Inc.; Mayor Jerome Prince; Chuck Hughes; Darnieshia Morris, Heritage Real Estate, Inc.; Sheleita Miller, Gatekeeper Accounting Services; James Summers, Project Impact South Bend.

Thank you to our September General Meeting/Luncheon Sponsors:



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What's Up Chuck?



Chuck Hughes

Our membership and supporters have been fantastic. The Chamber has been able to do some remarkable things as a result. Let's keep the momentum going by your support of our signature event the Lakeshore Classic. It is right around the corner and we need your help. Thanks and be well.



It's that time of the year again....The Gary Chamber of Commerce' signature event! Our **13th Annual Lakeshore Classic** and **Corporate Luncheon**. Enjoy a Corporate Luncheon, Vendor Fair, Greeks on Parade, 2-days of Basketball Challenges & more, November 23-26-27, 2021 at West Side Leadership Academy, 900 Gerry Street, Gary. Call the Chamber office (219) 885-7407 for information on sponsor-

“Member Spotlight”

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Sheleita Miller

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Gatekeeper Accounting Services is owned by Sheleita Miller. Sheleita is a certified public accountant. She has a Bachelor's degree in economics and accounting and a Master's degree in Accountancy. Sheleita has experience in the nonprofit sector, public accounting, and governmental auditing with the State of Indiana.

Contact Sheleita for all your accounting needs at (219) 301-0427 or visit: www.gatekeeperaccounting.com.

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

October 11	<u>GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING</u> Hard Rock Casino Northern Indiana 12:00 Noon 5400 W. 29th Avenue - Gary Guest speaker: Bill Hanna, Executive Director Dean and Barbara White Family Foundation
October 20	<u>Economic/Business Development Committee Meeting</u> Gary Chamber of Commerce 9:00 a.m.
October 22	<u>Education Committee Meeting</u> Gary Chamber of Commerce 11:00 a.m.
October 25	<u>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING</u> Gary Chamber of Commerce 11:30 a.m.
October 28	<u>BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING</u> Gary Chamber of Commerce 8:30 a.m.



NORTHERN INDIANA

- ▶ To fill immediate Career opportunities, **Horizon Bank** hosted Open Interviews at their Portage location, 2650 Willowcreek Road, for full and part time Tellers, Customer Service Representatives, Personal Bankers, Operations, Communications Center positions and more. Horizon Bank is also pleased to announce their recent donation of \$3,000 to Samaritan Counseling Centers, Inc., a non-profit organization that has faithfully provided personalized mental healthcare to individuals across the community for four decades. For more information on the good deeds of Horizon Bank contact Amy Phares, 219-874-9208.
- ▶ The **Salvation Army's Angel Tree** Program application process has started. Any families with kids ages 12 and under who could use toy assistance for Christmas should contact Captain Amanda Keene, 4800 Harrison St. Gary, (219)239-2426 (flyer).
- ▶ **Jasmine's Home Care Training Program** open enrollment. Variety of classes provided: Qualified Medical Aid, Certified Nursing Assistant, Phlebotomy, Home Aids and more. Call: (219) 455-6189 for details and registration (see flyer).
- ▶ **Centier Bank** wants to "**Unlock the Value of Your Home**"—Put your home to work for you. Did you know you can use the value of your home for a remodel, vacation, or pay off debt? Let us show you how to leverage your home's established equity and explore Centier Bank's loan options today. For information call: (877) 323-0733 or visit : www.centier.com/digital-banking (see attached flyer).
- ▶ **October 7, 2021—The Gary Chamber of Commerce** will host a press conference & open house, 11:00am at 308 E. 21st Avenue, Gary for the **Gary Eastside Community Development Corporation (GESDC)**. GESDC is a Gary Faith-Based Group partnering to increase quality of life for youth and the community (see attached flyer).
- ▶ **October 13 – Urban League of NWI** 9th Annual Diversity & Inclusion Luncheon, Avalon Manor, 3550 E. US Highway 30, Merrillville. Call (219) 887-9621 or visit: www.ulofnwi.org for additional information (see attached flyer).



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TOY ASSISTANCE
MONDAY THROUGH
THURSDAY ON SEPT. 27-
30 AND OCT. 11-14 FROM
9AM TO NOON & 1PM TO
3PM. MUST HAVE MASK
ON TO ENTER THE
BUILDING.**

Angel Tree

Must live in Gary, Merrillville,
Crown Point, Hobart, Lake
Station or New Chicago to
receive help from our
location



Required paperwork:

- ID with current address or ID with official mail
- Birth certificates for ages 12 & under - If not a parent, must have legal guardianship (court papers)
- Proof of all income & expenses
- Toy suggestions





Urban League of
Northwest Indiana, Inc.



Diversity and Inclusion Award Luncheon

Avalon Manor

3550 E. US Hwy 30

Merrillville, IN 46410

October 13, 2021 – 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE

Sponsorship Levels

Moving the Needle	\$20,000
Ambassadors of Inclusion	\$12,000
Champions of Inclusion	\$7,500
Heroes of Diversity	\$5,000
Leaders of Inclusion	\$3,000
Advocates for Inclusion	\$1,500

Luncheon Only

Small Business Package, Admission for 3	\$250
Individual Admission	\$100
Vendor Tables Available (Call for prices)	

Visit the Urban League website at www.ulofnwi.org for details
and a copy of the registration form or
call the office at 219-887-9621.

Program booklet Ad's are also available by calling the office.




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