



March 2024 NEWSLETTER



CURRENT MEMBERS

Please check your email as membership invoices have been sent. Didn't receive an email? Call or email us today.

Welcome NEWEST CHAMBER MEMBERS

We are so excited to welcome these local businesses to the Whitley County Chamber.

K-INDUSTRIES

80/20 INC.

TAMMY'S HEALTH SOLUTIONS

March 2024 Member of the Month



We are thrilled to feature **Country Roads Coffee** as our March Chamber Member of the Month!

Their mission is to not only offer fresh, great tasting coffee that people can enjoy every day, but to also support their local community thru many charities & non-profits.

They view their coffee business as a ministry to be able to show love, shine God's light & serve those in need whether it's thru donations, volunteering or many other ways. The Country Roads Coffee family has partnered with many local businesses in Whitley County to offer delicious coffee in break rooms and on their menus. Their unwavering support and presence in our community is something that will always be appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS!

February 2024

Member of the Month



Although a February newsletter didn't make it out, we still want to recognize our February Member of the Month, **Morsches Builders Mart**.

Morsches Builders Mart is dedicated to supplying customers across Northern Indiana with high-quality, dependable building materials. Founded in 1871, our business has stores in Columbia City, Huntington, Goshen, Wabash, and Warsaw, IN. With five locations and the best trained staff available, we service the professional contractor as well as the serious do-it-yourselfer.



Morsches Builders Mart as also active supporters of many community projects and Chamber campaigns. They support many local schools and athletic teams, 4-H, local parks and government programs in addition to multiple non-profit organizations. We are truly blessed to have them.

Cheers to 153 years!

CONGRATULATIONS!



We wanted to give our members an opportunity to reach thousands of new customers outside our area.

With the Chamber sponsoring the top banner, we were able to lower the cost of advertising for all our members. To top it off, you can see our February member of the month, Morsches Builders Mart represented.

Empowering Whitley County with Fiber Internet: How **YOU** Can Help

Surf Internet & its partners present a Whitley County education and outreach event on the Indiana Connectivity Program (ICP) to enrich the community by providing resources to ultimately connect rural and underserved residents with high-speed internet access.

Purpose

The goal is to educate the Whitley County community on the opportunity to bring high-speed internet to their residence by simply registering with the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA). Doing so demonstrates the need and demand for broadband internet in these areas, giving internet service providers the ability to apply for grant funds to help extend their network to these underserved communities through the Indiana Connectivity Program.

Audience & Partners

The Whitley County Economic Development Corporation, Whitley County Commissioner's Office, Community Foundation of Whitley County and Surf Internet have partnered to bring this event to local residents, particularly those in rural areas, who are underserved with broadband at their home or business.

Date & Location

Wednesday, March 20th | Open House 4pm - 7pm ET
Community Foundation of Whitley County
1171 E. Woods Way in Columbia City, IN 46725

Questions?

Website: SurfInternet.com/ICP
Email: ICPGrant@surfinternet.com



For more information about the ICP
SurfInternet.com/ICP

2024 STATE OF THE CITY



FRIDAY MARCH 15, 2024

11:30AM REGISTRATION

12:30PM ADDRESS

\$20 PER PERSON

APPETIZERS & DRINKS WILL BE SERVED

PEABODY PUBLIC LIBRARY

1160 IN-205 | COLUMBIA CITY, IN 46725

Whitley County Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center
RSVP to Jennifer Esterline at jesterline@whitleychamber.org



CALLING *All Ladies!*

JOIN US MONDAY, MARCH 4TH FOR
OUR FIRST WOMEN RUN BUSINESS
GATHERING!!

IF YOU OWN YOUR OWN BUSINESS,
OR RUN A BUSINESS WE WOULD
LOVE TO SEE YOU AND NETWORK!

WHEN: MARCH 4TH AT 7:45 AM

WHERE: BREWHA

WHAT TO BRING: WHAT YOUR
BUSINESS IS UP TO!



Save *The* Date

Here's a look at some
local events you
won't want to miss.
Support local and
love where you live!



Bake with Love Competition

**Thursday, March 14th at
1:30pm**

THE COMMUNITY IS INVITED TO
JOIN US FOR COFFEE BAR AND A
SLICE OF PIE!

AUTUMN TRACE SENIOR
COMMUNITIES
616 N OPPORTUNITY DR
COLUMBIA CITY, IN 46725
260-799-1700

PRE-REGISTER BEFORE THURSDAY
MARCH 7TH 5:00PM DEADLINE TO
COMPETE IN AUTUMN TRACE SENIOR
COMMUNITIES
BAKE WITH LOVE COMPETITION

IN HONOR OF NATIONAL PI
DAY, MARCH'S COMPETITION WILL BE PIE
OF ANY TYPE

\$20.00 ENTRY FEE. THE BAKING
CHAMPION WILL GET ALL OF THE ENTRY
FEES COLLECTED TO DONATE TO A
CHARITY OF THEIR CHOICE-SHARING
THE LOVE!

THE MARCH WINNER WILL BE INVITED
TO COMPETE IN APRIL'S
COMPETITION WITH NO ENTRY FEE.

HAVE MEDICARE QUESTIONS?

JOIN ME FOR
*UNDERSTANDING
MEDICARE 101*

WARSAW PUBLIC LIBRARY
310 E MAIN ST
WARSAW, IN 46580

MARCH 5TH 2024
6 PM

RSVP TODAY!



Call To Find Out More
(574) 212-2888

• COLUMBIA CITY CONNECT BRINGS YOU •

CABIN FEVER EVENT

MAR 16, 2024  9 AM - 3 PM

**FREE EVENT
REGISTER
ONLINE**



JOIN US FOR

Easter
EGG HUNT

**THURSDAY
MARCH 28TH
4:30-8PM**



**ARCADE
AND RIDES
OPEN!**

FOOD • FUN GAMES

**4 WAVES
EVERYONE'S
INCLUDED!**

South Whitley



Little League Ballfields
EGG Saturday March 30

HUNT

Hunt starts at the noon whistle
age divisions on signs, win bikes and other fun
prizes and see the Easter Bunny



KIWANAS OF GREATER
WHITLEY COUNTY
PRESENTS

MARCH
30TH
9:30-11:30

1st Annual EASTER BREAKFAST

Special Guest
The
Easter Bunny

**Pancake and Sausage
Breakfast \$5.**

THE PRESS ROOM
113 SOUTH STATE ST,
SOUTH WHITLEY

MIX & Mingle

MIXING BUSINESS WITH REAL ESTATE

**THURSDAY, APRIL 11
NOON - 2PM**

MORE DETAILS TO COME

ORGANIZED BY



THE WHITLEY COUNTY CHAMBER PRESENTS



TOURNAMENT

AND

**BUSINESS
EXPO**

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

**INDIAN SPRINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL
1692 STATE ROAD 9 COLUMBIA CITY, IN**



Senior Communities

IS

HIRING

Part time, every other
weekend 3rd shift Resident
Assistant



APPLY WITHIN AT
616 N OPPORTUNITY DR
COLUMBIA CITY, IN 46725

OR CALL US AT 260-799-1700