



Member Memo

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Kickoff for Association's 100th Held at Construction World Expo

The first of BCA's 100th anniversary celebrations kicked off with the BCA Centennial Bash held at the Construction World Expo at the Memorial Coliseum. More than 200 attended this free member event to help celebrate BCA's long history of serving the commercial construction industry of Northeast Indiana. Regular and young professionals (YPF) members were in attendance, representing general and subcontractors, architects and engineers, and material and professional suppliers - fitting of the association's slogan - "Building Better Together."



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UPCOMING BCA EVENTS

[OSHA 30-Hour Construction Safety Training Course](#)

Feb. 28, Mar. 2, 7 & 9
BCA Office

- Lunch & Learn -

[Business Continuation Planning](#)

Wed., March 1
BCA Office

[Construction Career Academy](#)

Tues., Mar. 7 and
Thurs., Mar. 9
Allen County
Fairgrounds

[Spring Economic Development](#)

The Centennial Subcommittee, led by **Steve Goodman** of Mosaic Building Solutions, has many more exciting activities planned for the membership in 2017. Be sure to watch your inbox for more details throughout the year! Other volunteers serving on the Centennial Subcommittee and assisting with festivities include **Rick Dommer** of IPS, **Jeff Harding** of Haller & Colvin, **Holly Hunter** of Hamilton Hunter Builders, **Eric Olson** of T-E INCORPORATED, **Dan Votaw** of Votaw Electric, and **Kelly Warner** of Design Collaborative.

BCA extends sincere appreciation to Centennial Sponsors for their overwhelming support:

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[Luncheon](#)

Thurs., Mar. 23
11:30 a.m.
Parkview Mirro Center

**Construction Safety
Forum | OSHA
Recordkeeping**

*Presented by Ray Gage
of Grabill Insurance
Center* Thurs., Mar. 1
12:00 p.m.

Construction Job Fair

Tues., Apr. 11
3:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Memorial Coliseum

- Lunch & Learn -
Cyber Security
Thurs., Apr. 13

**Spring Membership
Dinner & Awards
Banquet**

Thurs., Apr. 20
Ceruti's

**Welcome,
New
Members!**

[Allen County War
Memorial Coliseum](#)

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Randy Brown
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[Protechs, Inc.](#)

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Doing Business With the FWHA

The Fort Wayne Housing Authority invites you on March 21 to learn the ins and outs of working with their organization as they embark on a five-year development plan to increase affordable housing options in our area.

Over the next five years, several contracts will will awarded to local business valued at approximately \$80 million. Contracts may include:

- General Construction Services

[Other Member Benefits](#)

Get Involved with BCA!

As a volunteer-driven organization, BCA is continually seeking and encouraging member involvement. With seven standing committees, maybe we have a spot for you! [Click here](#) for more information on volunteer opportunities with BCA.

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- Snow Removal
- Other Services



Make plans to attend an informative session on Tuesday, March 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Fort Wayne Housing Authority (7315 Hanna Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46816). A RSVP is required by March 17 as lunch will be served. Reply online at <http://conta.cc/21qN85U> or by phone to (260) 267-9300, x7601. More information is available by clicking [here](#).

OSHAlogs - New Member Benefit Announced

BCA is pleased to announce a new affinity program through a partnership with BCA member, Grabill Insurance. OSHAlogs is a web-based application that will help employers more easily stay in compliance with OSHA recordkeeping requirements. It is also equipped and ready to handle the recently updated regulations that will require many BCA members to electronically submit their injury and illness information directly to the federal government starting July 1.



This program is endorsed by the BCA, and as such, members qualify for significantly reduced subscription rates. For more information, contact Ray Gage at 260 627-3641 or raygage@grabillinsurance.com or click on the following link: [BCA OSHAlogs Program Flyer](#).

Northeast Indiana's Regional Cities Funding Running Low

Northeast Indiana economic leaders want to grow the region to one million people by the year 2031, but the Regional Cities Initiative funding that was helping to reach that goal is running low.

Just over a year ago, the state gave Northeast Indiana \$42 million dollars to fuel its economy through population growth. The Northeast Indiana Regional Development Authority has allocated about 80 percent of that, or \$33.8 million. The following 16 projects have received funding:

- Skyline Tower
- The Landing
- The Embassy Theatre
- Fort Wayne Regional Trails
- The Clyde Theatre
- Posterity Heights Scholar House
- Trine University
- The DeKalb County YMCA
- Manchester Early Learning Center
- Buffalo Street Redevelopment Project
- South Adams Trails
- The Enterprise Center
- Michiana Event Center
- The United Brethren Block



There are seven remaining projects RDA would like to fund. The biggest are the first phase of the Riverfront Park Development in Fort Wayne, The Eagles Theatre

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Restoration project in Wabash, and the Wabash River Trail extension. The others are the Russel and Evelyn Fahl Aquatics Facility in Whitley County, Strawberry Valley Cultural Trail in Noble County, Fishing Line Trail in Noble County, and the Kendallville Outdoor Recreation Complex.

The cost of the remaining projects exceeds their budget by about a million dollars, but the Road to One Million Director Michael Galbraith said that won't stop them from finding a way to fund all the requests.

[Read more>](#) | Source: Kaitor Kposowa | WANE

New Member Spotlights...

PRIME CONSULTING PERSONNEL, LLC

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Temporary Staffing & Recruitment Firm
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Referred by Brad Johnson of Mill Supplies, Inc.



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Scholarships Available to Employees and Families of BCA Member Firms

Two \$1500 scholarships are being made available to BCA members' employees and their families. The BCA Presidential Merit Scholarship award was created in 2008 to recognize significant accomplishments and reward worthy students in furthering their education in a post-secondary, construction-related education program. **The application deadline is March 30, 2017.** More information is available by opening the link below:

[Scholarship Guidelines & Application](#)

You are encouraged to share this notification with your office staff and field employees. Help BCA find good quality applicants to be considered for these scholarships!



Thank You for Your Membership Renewals...

Membership Investments Received January 21 to February 27, 2017

ARC-Indiana	Jobsite Mobile Offices
Advanced Disposal Services	Kelty Tappy Design, Inc.
AirWorx Construction Equipment	Koorsen Fire & Security
Alt & Witzig Engineering, Inc.	LTS CPA Group, LLC
BND Commercial	Lupke Rice Insurance & Financial Services
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IAB Financial Bank	White Cap Construction Supply
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Office Depot and BCA Partner to Help Members Save on Office Supplies



BCA is pleased to offer members a group purchasing program, the Office Depot BCA Member Advantage Program. Take advantage of purchasing power available when you pool your office supply needs with other members. Participants can receive up to 80% off regular retail prices on core items most commonly used by businesses. Enrollment is free - never any fees or minimum purchase requirements! For more information, contact Christopher Michaels of Office Depot at 260 242-3171 or complete and return the enrollment form.

[Office Depot BCA Member Advantage Program Enrollment Form](#)

Help Build Strength in Membership

Membership retention and growth are vital elements in the pursuit of furthering BCA's objectives to provide opportunities for members to be more effective participants in the commercial construction industry in northeast Indiana. Currently the association's membership base encompasses over 260 companies representing the whole commercial construction process - including general and specialty contractors, architects and engineers, and materials and professional service providers.

Please take the time to review our [membership listing](#). This is an excellent resource for quality contractors and suppliers of materials and professional services. Also, we strongly encourage your patronage of members!

As you look over the membership roster, *who is missing that you do business with?* [E-mail](#) or call the BCA office contact information, then the Membership Committee will follow up and mail your prospect a packet of information outlining the benefits of membership noting you as a referral. An [electronic membership packet](#) is also available for your use.

Let's work to build strength in membership! **Building Better Together.**

Fort Wayne - Allen County - New Haven - Leo Commercial Building Permit Activity

	Current Jan. 2017	Year Ago Jan. 2016	% Change
Building Permits	82	84	- 2.4%
Total Value	\$62,153,524	\$11,709,053	+ 430.8%
Average Job Value	\$757,970	\$139,393	+ 443.8%