

E-Newsletter

Monday, January 25, 2016

Dear Chamber Member,

Raise your hand if this year's pre-caucus postering is unlike any year you can remember? Just one week from now and the list of candidates for President is sure to thin out.

Last week the Chamber officially moved our operation to the Boone City Hall, first floor administrative offices. For the most part we are running as normal. Thanks to Jeff Gano, Cody Bowers, John Snedden and Ed Knight we were able to move our equipment and begin the tear-out of the walls and ceiling at 903 Story Street.

There will be a ceremony today dedicating the meeting room at Pizza Ranch to the memory of the late Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad GM Fenner Stevenson. The dedication will run from 11am to 2pm. Our 2016 Chamber Business Directory is coming together and Linda Jennings with Boone Living has been out offering advertising space to our members. The publication will go to print and distribution by early March, with every business in Boone County receiving a copy of directory. Find more info [here](#). **Chamber Legislative Forums** are less than a month away, and the Chamber is seeking sponsors to help support these important constituent events. Sponsor dollars help promote the Forums to the public through radio and newspaper advertising. Call us at the Chamber if you'd like to align your business with our Chamber Forums. And the 2016 keynote speaker for the **Chamber Annual Meeting** has been announced, and we are pleased to welcome **WHO-TV's evening anchorman, Dan Winters**. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8th at 11:30am, Fareway Conference Center. Tickets are just \$25, and you can reserve yours [online here](#), or by calling the Chamber at 432-3342.

Have a great week!

Sincerely,



Kurt R. Phillips, Executive Director
Boone Area Chamber of Commerce

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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 26 – Leadership Program

Feb. 20 – Chamber Forum

Feb. 26 & 27 – Home & Garden Show

March 8 – Chamber Annual Meeting

Upcoming Events:



Upcoming events at the Ericson Public Library: Jan. 25—Theodore Roosevelt: Rough Rider President @ 6:30 pm. Jan. 26—Writer's Workshop @ 6:30 pm; Jan. 26—Shake, Rattle, and Roll @ 6:30 pm; Jan. 27 & 28—Storytime @ 10 am. Find more event listings click [here](#).

Upcoming Events at the Iowa Arboretum: Soup Supper on Friday, January 29 from 4 pm to 7 pm. **Speaker: Early Bird "Counts" (5:30 pm)** Warm up at the Arboretum with a hot bowl of soup, bread and fixings. Finish with a delicious slice of pie or cake. At **6 pm** enjoy an update on local bird counts and learn about trends in bird populations from **Mark Widrechner**. **\$7 per person**



Hurry, spaces are filling quickly! The **2016 Home Show** will be held Friday, February 26th & Saturday the 27th. Vendor/booth sign-up forms are available online. Click here for more information.



A **Sibling Class** will be held February 24, 6 p.m., Boone County Hospital 4th Floor Conference Room. This sibling class for 2 to 10 year olds helps children prepare and accept the arrival of a newborn. To register, call the Family Birth Center, 433-8400.



Upcoming Show at the Boone Community Theatre: Mark Twain's—The Diaries of Adam and Eve. A light-hearted look at the world's first love story through the eyes of America's greatest humorist, Mark Twain, whose Garden of Eden bursts with wit, laughter and the lyric poignance of the first love and the first loss. Click here for show dates.



Start the New Year fundraising with Kona Ice! They have a healthier, vitamin-fortified Kona that is Smart Snack approved! Click here for more information.



Boone Lions Club Community Pancake Days will be Friday, Jan. 29th from 4:30-7 pm and Sat., Jan. 30 from 7 am-Noon at the Community Building at the Boone County Fairgrounds. \$6 per person. Pancakes, Sausage and drinks. Tickets available from any Lions Club Member or at the door.



The **107th Chamber Annual Meeting** has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 8th at 11:30am, Fareway Conference Center. You can reserve your tickets by clicking here.

Boone High Students Plans to Educate Community with Meal Packaging and Hunger Banquet. Boone High TAG students are partnering with The Outreach Program to tackle Iowa hunger and educate students and the community about food insecurity on Friday, February 12th, at Boone High School. Students will also be hosting a Hunger Banquet 6:00 p.m. The Hunger Banquet is a free interactive, simulation event meant to educate the community on the struggles of poverty and food insecurity. Commodities for each meal will cost \$0.25. Currently students have raised around \$3,000 of the \$5,000. Money will continue to be raised until the day of the event, if more than \$5,000 is raised more meals will be packaged to help hungry Iowans. All donations are welcome and tax deductible. For more information click here.

REMINDER: THE CHAMBER HAS MOVED TO THE CITY HALL

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