

# E-Newsletter

Monday, January 4, 2016

Dear Chamber Member,

The bell for 2016 has rung and you're like me the feeling is akin to a horse-race announcer... "and they're off!". We're running out of the gate with a number of things already in the mix including the start of our **2016 Boone Area Leadership Program**. The Leadership chairs have been hard at work along with the module coordinators planning for a tremendous program that will take participants on an extensive tour of education, government, human needs, agriculture, business and industry, and community development. There is still room for a few more, but hurry, the program begins Tuesday night, January 19<sup>th</sup>. Call Emily in our office to get signed up. A huge thanks to the Boone Co. Economic Growth Corp., VisionBank, US Bank, Griggs Environmental Strategies, Boone Bank and Trust and Members 1<sup>st</sup> Credit Union for their sponsorship of this important program. About the same time the BALP kicks off the Chamber should be moving to our temporary offices at the Boone city hall. We'll be located on the west side of the first floor. Hours and services should remain the same. The Chamber phone number will roll over to city hall and you will need to select the Chamber extension. Stay tuned to the E-News for more on our move. The **2016 Boone Home and Garden Show** is beginning to fill up with vendors. Emily is booking space right now so drop her a quick phone call or stop in to reserve your booth space. Click [here](#) to learn more.

Have a great week!

Sincerely,



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

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

January 19 – Leadership Program  
Opening Night

Feb. 20 – Chamber Forum

Feb. 26 & 27 – Home & Garden Show

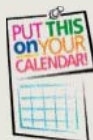
## Upcoming Events:



**Upcoming events at the Ericson Public Library:** Dec. 28—Pokemon Day @ 4 pm; Dec. 29—Needlecraft @ 6:30 pm and Shake, Rattle and Roll @ 6:30 pm; Dec. 30—Storytime @ 10 am; Dec. 31—Storytime @ 10 am; Jan. 1—Library Closed. Find more event listings click [here](#).



The deadline to sign up for the **Boone Area Leadership Program** Classes is fast approaching. The schedule of Classes is as follows: 1/19, 1/26, 2/2, 2/16, 2/23, 3/1, 3/8, with commencement March 22nd. Call 432-3342 for more information



**Upcoming Events at the Iowa Arboretum:** Jan. 10—Hibernation Celebration from 12-3 pm; Jan. 16—Snowshoe Hike from 1-3 pm; Jan. 17—"Sunday Sketchers" from 1-3 pm; Jan. 29—Soup Supper from 4-7 pm. For more information click [here](#).



*Don't miss this opportunity!* The **2016 Home Show** will be held Friday, February 26th & Saturday the 27th. Vendor/booth sign-up forms are available online. Discounted booths are only available until January 8th. Click [here](#) for more information.



*Are you're looking for a great way to give back to the community?* The Boone Fire Department is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Paid On Call Firefighters. For a list of the requirements and more information about the program you can contact the Fire Chief at 432-3436, [jadams@city.boone.ia.us](mailto:jadams@city.boone.ia.us) or visit [www.boonegov.com/fire](http://www.boonegov.com/fire). The fire department will be taking applications until Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>.



The **Boone County Caregiver Support Group** is held the first Tuesday of every month, 6 p.m., Westhaven Chapel. Every other meeting will have a guest speaker. Register if you would like a RSVP respite volunteer to watch over your loved one. Call Sue Pratt, RSVP Adult Caregiver Respite Program, 433-7836.



Creative? Great! We want to see your ideas for our **Pufferbilly Days Theme & Logo Contest**. Please submit any ideas to the Boone Chamber of Commerce office by Friday, January 8th. For more info. click [here](#).



**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.