

# E-Newsletter

Monday, October 31, 2016

Dear Chamber Member,

My weekend was filled with moving our middle son to Council Bluffs for his first career opportunity. Interestingly, his new digs are in a *brand new* downtown building with mixed use. The street level is retail and office space, with the top two floors apartments, located on a streetscaped boulevard. We're seeing more and more of this type of combination of retail and urban living as studies show millennials want to be closer to the action and services. The Chamber recently convened a Retail Task Force that will be looking into this and other key variables that can lead to a healthy and vibrant downtown district.

Hard to believe (but thankful) that we are only eight days from electing our next commander in chief. I am ready for it to be done, yet...worried that the usual post-election economic bump may not come this time. Word from our members is they can feel business is in a holding pattern in anticipation of this election. Whatever the outcome may be, each of us has a responsibility to get out and vote. If not for yourself, how about for the people that defend your freedom to have this opportunity ([click to see video](#))?

For all of the fundraising breakfasts and dinners, none can quite compare to the Chamber's Ag Omelet breakfasts. Everything is made to order just for you by our squad of celebrity chefs (loose interpretation of celebrity!) *Join us this Thursday morning out at the Community Building at the Fairgrounds from 6am to 9am and help support 4H and FFA scholarship!*

Our Convention and Visitors Bureau Manager Kris Blocker just got back from the Iowa Tourism Conference in Davenport, and is already off to Ottumwa to reel in some group tours for 2017 at the Iowa Group Travel Marketplace. We'll get a report on both in next Monday's E-News. Watch for the kiddos out around town tonight for Beggars night. And have a great week!

Sincerely,



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

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Harvest Omelet Breakfast**

**November 3rd**

**Business After 5**

**Hy-Vee**

**November 9**

**Holiday Open House**

**November 12 & 13**

**Holiday Lighted**

**Parade & Tree Lighting**

**Spectacular**

**December 1**

## Upcoming Events:

### HOLIDAY LIGHTED PARADE and TREE LIGHTING SPECTACULAR

December 1st, 7pm. Theme: "Boone for the Holidays". Contact Alyssa at the Chamber 515-432-3342 for more information or to get entered. Sponsored by:



The **Boone Blood Drive** will be held November 14, 1 to 6 p.m., Boone County Hospital 4th Floor Conference Room. To schedule an appointment to give blood, call (800) 287-4903. Sponsored by the Boone County Hospital Auxiliary.



Don't let America's tradition of **daylight saving time** make you an hour early to Sunday brunch. Set those clocks back on the evening of Saturday, November 5th!

**Business After 5**, November 9th at Hy-Vee. Sample great tasting beers and wine as they feature some of their favorite items for your upcoming holiday parties!

Grateful for those who have served us all so well, **Beyond Yoga** in Boone is offering **FREE Yoga Classes to US Veterans** during the entire month of November! No experience needed! All equipment provided. For more info: [www.beyondyogaforwellness.com](http://www.beyondyogaforwellness.com)



Boone County Chamber of Commerce **Harvest Omelet Breakfast**, November 3rd. 6am-9am at the Boone County Fairgrounds Community Building. \$6 per plate, includes an omelet, sweet rolls, coffee and juice. Proceeds going towards 4-H and FFA Scholarships.

The **ELECTRONIC SIGN** on Mamie and Story St. is back and operating! Available for non-profits, \$2 a day, stop by the chamber, fill out a form and we'll get your message up for all to see!

Have an upcoming event? Sale? New employee? Announcement? Adding your company's information in the **Monday E-News is FREE and easy!** Just send your information to Alyssa at [events@booneiowa.us](mailto:events@booneiowa.us) to be put in the next week's Monday E-News.

