

E-Newsletter

Monday August 22nd, 2016

Dear Chamber Member,

As I write this, CVB staff and volunteers are breaking down the Iowa State Fair booth after another big year. It takes nearly 100 individuals to staff the booth which regularly attracts thousands who stop by to see what's brewing in Boone County tourism. A big thanks to you if you were able to help out. Our attention now turns to the [2016 Farm Progress Show](#). The activity out on Highway 17 and US 30 has been picking up these past few weeks. As the show approaches we've assembled a web page to help show visitors and those just trying to navigate in and around the Central Iowa Expo site next week, Tuesday through Thursday. Check out the next page of the E-News for a link to that info.

I had the pleasure of meeting the new Provost for the Boone Campus of DMACC, Dr. Drew Nelson, last week in my office. Dr. Nelson has a dynamic personality and a ton of energy he's ready to invest in our local community college. I have a hunch you will see him out and about in the community quite a bit in this first year. It's the first day of school across Iowa tomorrow, take extra care moving through town and along rural roads looking for students and buses.

Business After 5 is back tomorrow night at Midwest Insurance Corporation, 1516 South Story Street (just south of the old Redeker's building). This is a great opportunity to get back into the swing of things and meet up with fellow Chamber members. Lastly, have you taken five minutes to answer our survey? The Chamber sent out the first of what we plan to be a sequence of simple, quick surveys to gauge your thoughts on the subjects that will help shape our programs, events and organizational direction for the coming years. If you haven't done so yet, follow [this link](#) to share your opinion with us.

Have a great week!

Sincerely,

Kurt R. Phillips

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Farm Progress Show
Aug 30, 31, Sept 1

Business After 5
Midwest Insurance
Corporation
August 23rd

PUFFERBILLY DAYS
September 8-11th

Upcoming Events:



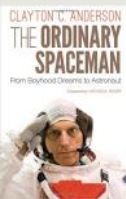
Mark your calendars for the next [Business After 5](#) at Midwest Insurance on August 23rd. Drinks, appetizers, prizes and more! Hope you can join us!

[The Boone Bulls Special Olympics](#) will be offering for the first time Cheer and Dance. With the expected participation to be 10-11. The Boone Bulls Special Olympic Team needs your help to reach their goal of raising \$5,000 to help cover uniforms, transportation, competition costs and more. If you'd like to help or for more information contact Jennifer at 763-999-0761 or email bbcheer.dance@gmail.com

[The Farm Progress Show](#) is upon us. August 30, 8:00-5:00, August 31, 8:00-5:00 and September 1, 8:00-4:00. Be prepared for heavy traffic from 7:00-10:00am and from 3:30-5:30pm. [Click here](#) to see the map of the traffic flow, (this will be reversed in the evenings). Questions? Contact the Boone County Chamber of Commerce at (515) 432-3342.

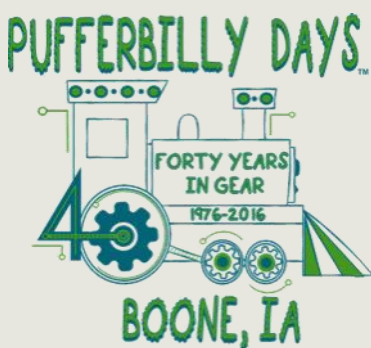


[Boone County Expo, A Resource Fair for Older Adults](#) is taking place on Tuesday, September 13th, 9am to 12pm at the Boone County Fairgrounds in the Community Building. If you have interest in becoming a vendor or for more information, contact Susan Pratt at 515-432-1127



The Book Shoppe (817 Story) has a few [signed copies](#) of "The Ordinary Spaceman: From Boyhood Dreams to Astronaut" available. What a great Christmas gift for anyone interested in knowing what it's like to be an astronaut!

[Pufferbilly Days](#) is in search of a standard size [WORKING](#) refrigerator for the duration of the festival (Sept. 8-11th). If you or someone you know would allow Pufferbilly Days the use of your fridge, please contact Alyssa at the Chamber at 515-432-3342.



Parade application deadline has been [EXTENDED](#) to September 2nd! You won't want to miss out on all of the parade fun. Get your application in today!

[Pufferbilly Days](#) is still needing [volunteers for I.D. Check, Beer Servers, Beer Ticket Sales, and Memorabilia](#). If you have any interest, contact Alyssa at 515-432-3342 to get signed up for a shift.