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Tuesday September 6th, 2016

Dear Chamber Member,

We've been watching this week's weather like a farmer, but employing the never too high, never too low, philosophy as the meteorologists struggle to nail down the specifics for Pufferbilly Days™. Rain or shine, hot or cold, the festival week is here and we're hoping everyone has an enjoyable and safe time. Everything kicks off Thursday night at 5pm, with opening ceremonies slated for 6pm (including a special awards presentation by Mayor John Slight for our "Citizen of the Year"). There is a ton of information available online at http:// www.PufferbillyDays.com, so check it out. With staff scurrying around this week our ability to answer the phones promptly will get challenging as the week progresses. While our office' back entrance is somewhat obstructed, our new Story Street entrance will be open each day until 5pm. We will be closed per the usual on Saturday and Sunday.

One last call for volunteer help: Saturday night at the entrance to our Entertainment Center we truly need some people to help with verifying patrons for the 21 -ID station. Please call Alyssa (432-3342 or events@booneiowa.us) if you can help.

I'm off to continue the set-up for the 40th Annual Pufferbilly Days™. Have a great week!

Sincerely,

Kunt R. Phillips

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

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PUFFERBIILY DAYS September 8-11th

Battle of the Bands September 24th

High School Ag Tour September 29th

Upcoming Events:

Welcome New Chamber Members! Re/Max Beacon Realty, Whistle Stop Café, Donkey's and Dog Tags, Duncan Heating & Plumbing

Have you ever considered hosting a Business After 5? These are great networking events that allow you to showcase your business. Spots are filling up fast for 2017 so contact Kris at the Chamber of Commerce (515) 432-3342 or office@booneiowa.us

Congratulations to the following Chamber members that earned Better Business Bureau Accreditation: Doran Law Firm, Ray's Doors LLC and RBW Electric LLC. Way to go!

Business After 5 – September 27 at United Community School (1284 U Avenue) 5:00 – 7:00. All employees of Chamber member businesses & organizations are encouraged to attend Business After Hours events.

Forte Studios presents BATTLE OF THE BANDS, September 24th, 12pm-11pm. Check out www.facebook.com/fortestudiosevents for more information.

Refuse To Be A Victim. Ladies night at Central Iowa Impact September 22, 6-8pm. Gather with friends to eat, drink, shop and learn about your surroundings.

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

It is not too early to get started with Christmas shopping. The Shop Boone Gift Certificates are a great gift for all ages. Available in any increments, Shop Boone Gift Certificates are redeemed at any Chamber member business/ organization. Shop Boone gift Certificates are available at the Chamber Office Monday thru Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm.





Pufferbilly Days Tailgate Party will once again take place Saturday the 10th in the entertainment area. Grab your Pufferbilly Days Cyclone or Hawkeye Koozie, enjoy a beverage and root for your favorite team! Best Buy is providing (2) 80in, TVs for everyone's viewing pleasure!

Take step back into history and enjoy The Civil War Reenactment on September 10th & 11th. Encampment 10-6pm, Battle 2pm, Ladies Fashion Show 3:30pm,

Dance Demonstration 4pm, and Night Battle 8pm.

Check out <u>www.pufferbillydays.com</u> for a full list of activities and to get registered for your favorite events! Have questions? Contact Alyssa at the Chamber at 515-432-3342 or email <u>events@booneiowa.us</u>