

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017

Dear Chamber Member,

It's a New Year, and we've got a new look. Last week we updated the former E-News into a new chronicle called the Boone County Brief. The concept remains the same: a quick-hitting, Monday morning bulletin to designed to keep you in the loop on member happenings, Chamber events and important dates, and other timely information. We hope you like the format and always look forward to hearing about your company event, sale or announcement.

A good friend and long-time supporter of the Chamber, Ron Tilley, recently underwent a life-changing surgery and could use a little help from all of us. Folks have come together to put on a benefit to defray his medical costs and help his family build a ramp at their home. The event is this Sunday the 15th from 4pm to 8pm and TK's Event Center. Put it on your schedule and help a friend in need. Hotel/Motel Tax presentations take place tomorrow night with ten local organizations, including the Boone County Convention and Visitors Bureau making appeals for funding. The Boone City Council will hear these considerations beginning at 6pm in the council chambers. The CVB is gearing up for winter travel shows that will see us at the Omaha Travel Show in February and the Eastern Iowa Sportsman Show in Cedar Falls in March. The Iowa Legislature convenes for the first time in 2017 today. Our Chamber Legislative Forums will capture the progress the Senate and House make from now until mid-February when we hold our first gathering at the Ericson Public Library on the 18th. Colleges across the land begin to get back into full swing and local schools into their spring semester. Its hard to think Spring in the midst of bone-chilling temps but that is exactly what we're doing at the Chamber. With the Boone County Home and Garden Show just forty-five days away the final details are all coming together and the vendors are signing up daily. The Home Show is a late winter tradition in Boone County and has proven to be a real winner for exhibiting businesses. Give Alyssa Knudsen a call in our office to reserve space for the 24th and 25th of February show.

Have a great week!

Kurt R. Phillips

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CHAMBER EVENTS

Business After 5 Sacred Heart School January 24th

Chamber Legislative Forum February 18th

Boone County Home & Garden Show February 24 & 25th

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Mark your calendar, the Boone County Home and Garden Show is right around the corner! February 24th and 25th. FREE admission, door prizes, pie auction, performances by Elevate Twirling and much more! There is still plenty of time to get signed up as a vendor. Contact Alyssa at events@booneiowa.us for more information.



Forte Studios Battle of the Bands Finals, January 14th at TK's Event Center, doors open at 5:00pm. FREE admission, check out facebook.com/fortestudiosevents for more information.

Spud Night -Don't be a couch potato build your own spud at the Iowa Arboretum on January 27th from 4-7 p.m. Come out and enjoy a potato bar with all the fixings. Andy Bartlett, DNR Park Manager of Ledges State Park, will be giving a presentation about Ledges State Park at 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$8.00 per person.



Join the Boone Lions Club as they host Pancake Days! January 27th (4:30pm-7pm) and 28th (7am-noon) at the Community Building Fairgrounds. Cost is \$7.00 per person.

A benefit for Ron Tilley, a longtime Chamber Ambassador (Red Coat), will be held on January 15th, 4pm at TK Event Center. \$10 per person includes a soup supper, bake sale and auction proceeds will go directly to Ron and his family to help cover medical and rehabilitation costs and to remodel their home to make it more accessible. Please plan to attend!



Have an upcoming event? Sale? New employee? Announcement? Adding your company's information in the Boone County Brief is FREE and easy! Just send your information to Alyssa at events@booneiowa.us to be put in the next week's Boone County Brief.

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