

# Chamber Luncheon



We invite all Chamber Members, employees and interested parties to come together every other month to enjoy informative speakers and network with other local business leaders.

Thursday, March 27th—12:00pm  
 Tipton Golf & Country Club—1143 Cedar Valley Road  
**RSVP is required by 5pm on Tuesday March 25th to 563-886-6350 or info@tiptoniowa.us**

\*\*\*Feel free to get your lunch as you arrive. Cost is \$7 per person—includes drink.

## AGENDA

**Welcome—Travis Alden, Tipton Community Development Director**

- Thank you to Ellis Ahrens for hosting and serving lunch
- Brief introductions and recognition of guests

**Chamber Update—Paul Stueland, Chamber President**

**School District Update—Dick Grimoskas, Superintendent**

**City Update—Doug Boldt, City Manager**

**RAGBRAI Update—Travis Alden, Tipton RAGBRAI Exec. Co-Chair**

**Local Business Spotlight: RWD Travel**

**Presentation: Kelly Thomas, MECCA Services**



**Tipton Chamber Of Commerce**

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Board Members: Paul Stueland-President; Diana Waltz-Vice President; Kathy Laing-Secretary; Don Young-Treasurer; Jim Allen; John Dornfeld; Tim Frerichs; Denise Feltes; Todd Miller; Mike Pelzer; Daisy Wingert; Doug Boldt-ex officio; Travis Alden-ex officio

## Job Practicum a Benefit to Students and Businesses

**By Amanda Lett**

*Tipton Community Development Intern*

Seniors at Tipton High School have the option to participate in a job practicum internship with a company in Tipton and the surrounding area. To do so, seniors must first complete a class called career leadership with Shawn Kreman and go through an interview process to qualify. The interview is set up to simulate a real life interview for a job where interns have to tell a group of interviewers about themselves, what they are good at, and answer any questions they ask. After being accepted to the Job Practicum Program, seniors are to contact their host to set up their schedule. To complete the course, a minimum of forty-five hours must be met at the site.

Job Practicum helps young adults get in to the real world and see what businesses are like. Businesses can benefit by having someone work in their office for free while students get credits for interning in at a company that they are interested in. For many students, it helps them choose or decide if they enjoy a career by doing this internship.

Students are doing their internships in many different kinds of businesses. Kori Rekemeyer is interning at Jack & Jill Pre-school and spends her hours playing with and teaching young children. Brittany Foulks is interning at Prairie Hills with the Administrator's office learning how to successfully run an assisted living facility. I personally have learned a lot about the community while working with Travis Alden in the Community Development office. Any company can become a host site for students to intern. If interested, contact Laurie Worden by email at laurie.worden@kirkwood.edu or call her at (319)-398-1040. For local contact, call Mike Droll, Tipton High School's Guidance Counselor at 886-6121.