



Clawson Lions Club

Newsletter Jan. /Feb. 2016

Clawson Lions and Friends;

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

December 2015 Charity Poker Nights; Even though the “Big Beaver Tavern” restaurant was closed, the lower level was still open to finish up the charity poker schedules until the end of the 2015 calendar year. We did pretty well considering the “Tavern” closed its *restaurant* doors. Not sure who will be the next to own the property.

Fear not!!! Our ever vigilant Lion Bob Lee is on the trail of another Charity Poker House/Date. Rumor has it he may have a place in his sites. Lion Bob and I spoke a few days ago and thought it a good idea to take a shot at the next opportunity. Lion Bob says that next opportunity may be the 18th for sometime between April-June. We have all agreed at Board and General Meetings, the Charity Poker Nights are good fundraisers for us. No guarantees on getting a date.

KOEZE Nut sales; Thanks to Lion Joe and Bonnie Schwab for handling the ordering, pick-up and delivery of the “nut” orders. A few of our Clawson Lions always do *very well* with their sales. Good people doing good things!! Nov/Dec each year are the months for “KOESE NUTS”. Make wonderful gifts.

Leader Dogs Kick-Off; The Kick-Off Dinner was really good. Lots of start-up money presented. Excellent guest speaker, very good meal and good company. Clawson is a “Top Dog” Club again this year. Good work Clawson Lions. I believe the number of Graduates (Leader Dogs) was 147 for 2015. @ Roughly \$40,000 a graduate, that’s a round number of \$5,880,000. And no cost to the recipients. How good is that!!!!

Penrickton Christmas Party; Wow!!! What can be said? Penrickton is a facility like no other. Go ahead and feel good about what Lions are doing to help support Penrickton. The staff are very special people with the God given abilities and character to work with and help these children. Kathy (Cope) and daughter Karrie picked out the gifts as they do each year, for the Clawson Lions Club. They always seem to know just what to get. Anna is such an angel. Other supporting Lions clubs provide food trays, refreshments and desserts. Definitely takes the efforts of many to make this all work.

Christmas Dinner/Auction; Lion Dick Julian graced us with another wonderful meal he prepared and catered for our evening. Our auctioneers, Lions Greg and Jeff, did a fine job on keeping the bidding on point. Lion Brian Finney was the “extreme bidder” this night and upping the bidding on so many items. At the end of the evening, Brian demonstrated his character. He probably won the bid on a dozen or more items and gave them all away to our guests and members. He kept only a throw blanket. One item was over \$200. In the spirit of Lionism and Christmas, it doesn’t get any better.

Raffle Tickets; Lion Jeff Murphy is Clawson Lions contact for these tickets. We are working with another Lions club to help sell tickets. It is in our best interest to help sell all that we can. Contact Lion Jeff or send an e-mail request to info@clawsonlions.org with your contact info.

“Down on Main Street” Car Show; The 18th annual event, August 13, 2016, display registrations and sponsor forms have been approved by our car show founder and chair, Lion Howie. The forms will soon be on the web page and on FB. Mailings are going out as you read this with help from our friends at USMA.

Events/Dates;

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January 18; Board Meeting at Lion Greg K’s 7:30pm. First VP Lion Doug Peters will Chair the meeting.

January 25; General Meeting. Lion Bob Blanchette has meals.

February 8; General Meeting. Lion Jeff Murphy has meals.

February 15; Board Meeting and Past Presidents Meeting

February 22; (NOT THE 24TH) General Meeting. NEED SOMEONE TO STEP UP FOR MEALS

March 14; General Meeting. **NEED SOMEONE TO STEP UP FOR MEALS**

March 21; Board Meeting. **NEED BOARD MEMBER TO PROVIDE HOSPITALITY**

Clive Brown. Clawson Lions Club President 2015 – 2016

If you see a mistake, please let me know. Any newsworthy events or happenings let me know.

Don’t forget to look at the Web-site and Facebook once in a while.