



Laingsburg Lions Newsletter

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Immediate Past President**

The Prez Sez...

Lion's members,

This fall season has been full of accomplishments for our community. This week the library will receive a \$ 2000 donation from us for the ebook program. The food bank is booming with donations and support for those in need here in Laingsburg.

After 20 years operating under the Methodist Church's tax ID number, the Laingsburg area food bank is now a legal registered nonprofit in Michigan and will receive its Federal tax exempt status any day. They will provide all supporting organizations with an accurate and up to date accounting of their donations and expenditures at every board meeting as well as provide yearly filings with the IRS.

Winterfest was an awesome celebration. It is a great opportunity to meet and celebrate with your neighbors. Winterfest is a unique small town gathering, I hope as Lions we could help out more next year to make this an even more memorable gathering for all.

Our Christmas voucher program was much help to those in need. Lion Mike Danek handled the tasks of notifying the recipients and working with Mark's Food Pride. Many thanks Lion Mike. Lion Dane informed me that as a club we had a very profitable poker week at Trippers. Thanks Lion Dane.

Serving as a board member and President of this club has been a great honor and pleasure. We have much to look forward to as our meetings are sure fun and hopefully we will have many opportunities to serve including our Senior Night and Springtime Festival.

As a board we are always interested in hearing what ideas the membership has regarding new projects or fun club activities. Please share ideas you may come up with any board member or come to a board meeting yourself. Working through differences of opinion has been challenging and I appreciate the opportunity to grow and fix the mistakes I will surely make along the way. The unity of this club should be one of its highest priorities and I will do my best in the future to build that unity. I wish all Lions a safe, joyful and happiest of holidays.

Yours in Lionism
Dave Hasselbach



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Member Anniversary Dates

No, it's not marital anniversaries. This is the place I'll list the anniversary date of joining Lions according to the roster. WOW, this quarter there is:

Richard Brewer i- 10-10
Ed Carpenter – 10-91
Jerry Carpenter – 10-04
PDG John Carroll – 10-90
James Carroll – 10-97
Clyde Casler – 10-95
Mike Danek – 10-98
Jack Epple – 10-92
Bob Fineman – 10-05
Terry Fraidenburg – 10-87
Al Fraidenburg – 10-63
Dee Hafner – 10-05
Bill Harkema – 10-09
Dale Lee – 10-95
Dane Nickols – 10-95
Dave Pursel – 10-94
Bonita Snyder – 10-10
Larry C Sparkes – 10-93
Newton Stewart – 10-85
Steve Wickham – 10-10
Dan Dembinski – 11-11
Mike Domagalski – 11-11
Ron Gorsline – 11-98
Debbie Walker – 11-11
Dawn Zelonski – 11-11
Mike Putnam – 12-08

Congratulate them at the next meeting on their continued service to Lionism!

NOW is a good time for you to invite someone to join in on our fun and become a Lion. Ask someone today.. that's how you joined, you were asked.

Board News

October:

1. All reports were approved.
2. BBQ Grill policy & rental; PDG Eric to find out about rental profit going to Admin acct, will report back
3. Admin fundraisers; looking into other ways to help fund
4. Committee formed for Xmas party
5. Question of Lions sign up on community sign; not done yet
6. Request from library for \$2500 to buy more eBooks; tabled
7. Festival signs for BBQ; tabled
8. 2 members past dues owed dealt with
9. Winterfest request; donation of \$150 made
10. Festival raffle; request to go back to trips vs cash prizes, debated.
11. New door for pole barn; approved
12. Old BBQ pits and bingo machine to sell; approved
13. Wheelchair ramp in stockbridge (joint); approved for whomever wants to help
14. Bonding of officers; approved

November:

1. Presentations give by/for:
 - a. C. Chubb: Food Bank req. for Xmas baskets; denied as already approved for vouchers
 - b. S. Chavez: \$2000 for 1 yr of eBooks; approved
2. All reports were approved.
3. BBQ Grill policy; tabled
4. Xmas Party; approved as to report
5. Festival BBQ signs; approved to buy 2
6. 2 requests for funding; no action taken
7. Xmas baskets; motion made to rescind prev. motions & participate with Food Bank, rejected



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Taxes Hold Em Info

Once again our Lions came through. We got enough volunteers to work to fill the schedule.

We're still waiting to hear our profit results but it went well with good attendance in players.

Xmas Party Success!

Our annual Christmas party was held recently at St. Isidore's Parish Hall with the Knights of Columbus catering a great meal. You really missed a good time if you couldn't make it.

Along with dinner, there was a little fun and games with Lion Dave Pursel providing a "modern" listing of Christmas songs that we all had to figure out.

It was tough but we got through it along with some laughs.

After dinner we had the raffle which yours truly's wife won 😊 There was also a nice auction for several items, compliments of President Dave H. and PDG Eric Schuman (get that PDG John??), and conducted by Lion Chris Starr. Many thanks Lion Chris!

On The Lighter Side...

A woman came home to find her retired husband waving a rolled up newspaper round his head.

Wife: 'What are you doing dear?'

Husband: 'Swatting flies - I got 3 males and 2 females'

Wife: 'How on earth do you know which gender they were?' Husband: 'Easy - 3 were on the beer, and the other 2 were on the phone'

Happy Holidays!

During this holiday season, take a moment to hug those that matter to you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! May 2013 bring success and health to all!

Wheelchair Ramp Done

The Laingsburg Lions club has worked on a variety of projects centered around the Laingsburg community. The newest one is a wheelchair ramp which was constructed for Mrs. Rosemary Willard.

Many Lion members lent their hammers, time and family to the project.

Pictured from front to back are: Mrs. Rosemary Willard, Lions President Dave Hasselbach, Project chairman David Pursel, Bonnie Snyder, Alex Starr, Brother Starr, Chris Starr, and Eric Schuman. Missing from the picture are Ben Siniarski, Ed Kemp, Daniel Dembinski, Taylor Dembinski. The completion of this ramp will provide for safer access to her home with winter fast approaching. The Laingsburg Lions club also wishes to Thank Tim Arnst - The Dirt Doctor, for providing his time and equipment in drilling the post holes.

