

Hello there, folks! It's time for that newsletter ordeal you were promised with your membership ©

2016 Wrap-Up

We've had quite a successful year! With all of your help, we have raised over \$2,400 this year for the

musical needs of local youth! That is AMAZING! Your generosity keeps us moving in the proper direction; albeit slow, we're getting there! We closed out the year with over 25 active members; 18 standard and 7 support!

We've purchased a few instruments, repaired several to playing condition (special thanks to Slick Music Studio), donated a piano to The Boys & Girls Club of Anderson (thanks to Lapel local Shane B.), had a few students sent our way via Studio 3 in Pendleton, and hosted our 2nd Annual Beards for Band; Mustaches for Music Competition (Lapel Eagles #4323- you guys and gals are the BEST)! In addition, we've continued to establish connections with others in our communities, travelled hundreds of miles to compete in beard and mustache competitions to support other charities, hosted our first Golf outing- Beards, Bogeys and Mustaches for Music, and set up at numerous festivals to spread the word about our organization.

Lastly, but certainly not least, several of our club members have won awards at the above mentioned competitions. We'd like to take a moment to thank you, thank you, thank you!! You have helped to establish the Tri-County Beard & Mustache Society members as true competitors, helped share our vision for this endeavor, and have given others the courage to do the same. We appreciate you all more than you know!!

What's New for 2017

"Beards & Brushes"- Our first event this year will be on Thursday, March 9th at the Lapel Eagles, 6:00pm-9:00pm. We're SOLD OUT!! We have partnered up with the Ladies auxiliary of the Lapel Eagles #4323 to provide finger foods/refreshments for the evening. We'll also be splitting our proceeds with them! Please see our Facebook event page for more details we hope you got a ticket!

Melissa Crafton has been asked to be a judge at the 2nd Annual Bearded Hero Competition in Fort Wayne on April 8th. Bearded Hero is a great organization that recently became a non-profit and raises money for worthy charities and causes. These folks are pretty stellar so please be sure to check them out!

We are looking forward to having TWO golf outings this year. One in the Spring- TENTATIVE DATE: April 23rd, shotgun start, and one in the fall DATE: TBD. We would be having this outing at Grandview in Anderson again, as they treated us so well last summer. Look for more details to come!

Our 3rd Annual Beards for Band; Mustaches for Music Fundraising Competition will be on Saturday, October 21st. Roughly the same time frame and schedule as the 2016 competition. More details to come for that too! Be sure to mark "going" or "interested" on the Facebook event pages to stay in the know!

Future Wishes

We certainly hope that this endeavor keeps growing. It's been so humbling to meet, collaborate, and give charitably with so many of you and your love for music, beards, and kindness is uplifting. We couldn't ask for better people to surround ourselves with! See you at the next festival, beard competition, or event!!

For the love of music, keep it growing!

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