

WHAT'S SHAKIN' at the Chamber!

Big Stone Lake Area Chamber of Commerce

Bi-monthly Newsletter

January 4, 2016

Calendar of Events

Friday, January 8: Chamber office closed

Sunday, January 24: First English Lutheran Church's Annual Meeting at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary

Friday, February 5: Chamber Annual Meeting at VFW; social hour at 5:30 p.m., brief meeting at 6 p.m. with dinner to follow (more details to come!)

Saturday, February 13: [37th Annual Arctic Open Golf Tournament](#) in Clinton

Saturday, March 19—Sunday, March 20: 23rd Annual Sports & Leisure Show in Ortonville

Friday, April 29—Saturday, April 30: Cabela's Master Walleye Circuit Tournament on Big Stone Lake

Saturday, June 4: Celebrate Clinton Days in Clinton

Thursday, July 14—Sunday, July 17: Big Stone County Fair in Clinton

Friday, August 19—Sunday, August 21: 78th Annual Cornfest

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

2015 By the Numbers!

- 1,251 visitor guides mailed to 47 different states and Washington DC!
- 49,661 views of bigstonelake.com from January to December 2015!
- 229 blog posts published on the website!
- 12,198 unique visitors to the website!
- 746 likes on the Chamber's [Facebook page](#)!
- 12 new Chamber members!

A Visual Look Back at 2015!

A new year means new adventures! But we thought we'd take a look back at the good times had in the Big Stone Lake area in 2015! Thanks to Vicki Oakes of the Ortonville EDA and [MNBump](#), we can do that!

Click [here](#) to watch the videos, which include the Graceville St. Patrick's Day Parade, Sports & Leisure Show, the Downtown Festival, Cornfest and the Clinton Tasters Tea!

We enjoyed 2015 and look forward to 2016!





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Real Christmas Trees Repurposed!

If you have a real Christmas tree from the holidays, let the Clinton Community Service Club take it off your hands!

The Service Club is looking for live trees for the Arctic Open tournament February 13 on Eli Lake in Clinton!

They will be picking up trees in the Big Stone Lake area January 9 through 10. Have your tree on the curb, and they will do the rest!

If you want to get rid of your tree before January 9, bring it to the east side of the city building behind the Clinton Memorial Building in Clinton.

With questions, contact Dustin or Amanda Tatro at 320-325-5355.



Checkpoint MN Stats So Far!

It's been nearly a month since Checkpoint MN launched in early December, and so far, the check-ins stats are tremendous!

To date, 48 people have completed all 10 check-ins across the state! That's 1,100 miles of driving! And there have been more than 1,600 check-ins! For more on Checkpoint MN, click [here](#)!

Newsletter Articles & Events!

The What's Shakin' Chamber newsletter is a great resource to post your latest news and events! And best of all...it's free for Chamber members! If you have anything you would like included, click [here](#)! The What's Shakin' newsletter is published bi-monthly!



Above: Hasslen Construction was the winner of the Big Stone Lake Area business decorating contest in December! The theme was “Constructing Holiday Cheer.” Second place was Barr’s Conroy Electric and third place was Grandma’s Thrifty Hideaway.



Above: St. John’s Faith Formation Classes won the Avenue of Trees contest! The DRC and Katie Adelman donated \$100 to the Watertown Area Right to Life, St. John’s charity of choice.



Above: First place in the resident decorating contest was the Bill Hynnek residence on Minnesota St.



Above: Second place in the resident decorating contest was Lane & Teresa Nelson on Minnesota St.



Above: Third place in the resident decorating contest was Luke Backstrand on Highland Highway.