

MD, DE AND DC Moose Association – Life Membership Campaign

All Lodges and Chapters within the MD, DE and DC Moose Association, we need to embrace this idea so we can not only strengthen our Moose units but bring our Beloved One Moose Fraternity together (LOOM / WOTM) working as one unit for the greater good of our Lodges and Chapters. Going forward after May 2021 we will be a one Moose Lodge, a Chapter (or whatever the name will be) and Moose Legion.

We have seen that Frederick Chapter of the WOTM has a Lifetime Membership campaign running, this is an awesome deal not only for the chapter but also, for the Lodges as well for the future of our beloved Moose Fraternity. Any member that purchases a Lifetime membership assures our units of a member for life, obviously. It also, shows a commitment to the organization and going forward it may incite that individual to be involved more, either being an officer or chairman or just supporting the lodge in their endeavors in supporting our cause or maybe they have greater things in mind. They may like to take office on the Lodge, Chapter, Moose Legion, District or Association Levels. At all levels we need to encourage this momentum that Frederick Chapter has initiated and grow and expand on that.

To expand on this campaign, we propose that the lodges and chapters run a similar campaign. Possibly, have the Lodge and Chapter contribute, equally to the discounted amount. As an example; both Lodge and Chapter could contribute 25 % of the total and then the member would be responsible for the remaining balances. The women would benefit in the short term as they will be getting the ABCD (per capita) back from each lifetime membership that is received by Moose International which would offset the discount, and the LOOM will benefit with a member who will not be lost after we become One Moose in May 2021. Coworkers that are already Life members of the WOTM will become Life members of the Lodges, and forever be on the rolls (retention). A “WIN-WIN” for both the Lodges and Chapters. Not, being a negative Nelly, but we know that when this One Moose becomes history, we are going to have WOTM that will not renew their dues because they have no interest in the extra dues or just cannot afford the additional cost. In addition, some will just say why do I want to pay dues when I can come in as a guest of my spouse. It appears that the Women currently pay from \$25.00 and up to renew annually. Under the One Moose they will be paying the Lodge Dues of approximately \$40.00 or more and after 3 years an additional \$15.00 to remain a Chapter Member. That is over double what they were paying. The Women of the Moose support the Lodges in many ways and for the Lodges it is imperative to have the Chapters in place to help with costs and contribute to the future of the fraternity. We all know that “The Women can get it done”. I believe we owe it to our members and our fraternity to protect these memberships however we can. Remember coworkers, once you have your Life Membership in the Chapter you will be a life member of the Lodge under the One Moose in May 2021 and you will also benefit from the fact that your Lifetime Membership will also include the chapter dues, so no additional dues will be required. There may also be a way that Lodges can do the same and possibly offer a similar campaign. I do not suggest the chapters offer the same additional discounts to share with the lodges as the chapter funds may not support that offer, but if the chapters would have the funds and would like to offer it would be a welcomed bonus. You could possibly establish a fundraiser to help offset the cost for these discounts, however, the lodge will also receive the ABCD per capita from each Member that can offset the discounts too.

I know there are times when we have conflicts on the Lodge and Chapter Levels with agreements on the exact way to handle things, but this is for the greater good of Your Fraternity and we are ONE Moose and we can do this ... “It’s What We Do, We’re Moose” ... Bruce Berger.

The WOTM Chapters will need to submit the Dues as one payment, payable to Moose International Dues Processing Center P.O. Box 88065 Chicago, IL 60680-1065, for this information you can visit the website www.mooseintl.org Member information/Campaigns/Membership Information/Life Membership. The Lodge would need to write a check for their portion to the chapter, as well as the member would need to write a check to the chapter for the remaining balance

and then the Chapter would submit one check to Moose International with the members information. Receipts will always need to be issued to everyone. See the table below for Pro-Rated Options

Life Membership Pro-Rated Options

Effective August 1, 2019, the pricing of Life Memberships have changed. The option to purchase a Life Membership at a reduced rate is now available, based on your years of service. Below is a chart indicating the current pricing for a Life Membership. Payments should be mailed via our Lockbox.

Years	WOTM	LOOM	Moose Legion
0-14	600	1200	500
15-19	400	960	400
20-24	350	840	350
25-29	300	720	300
30-34	250	600	250
35-39	200	480	BUYOUT
40-44	150	360	
45-49	BUYOUT	BUYOUT	

Additional information is available on Moose International website, www.mooseintl.org, under Member Information/Campaigns/Membership Information/Life Membership. If you have any questions, or if you have members inquiring about the costs for this pro-rated option, please contact Member Services at 630.906.3658 for assistance.

This information can all be found on the MD, DE, DC Moose Association Website under the Membership button.

If you have any additional questions about how this could benefit and work for your Lodge or Chapter feel free to contact Membership Chairmen Dean Mc Dermott or Brian Weaver and we will be glad to assist you with anything you may need. Our numbers are available on the MD, DE, DC Moose Association Website.