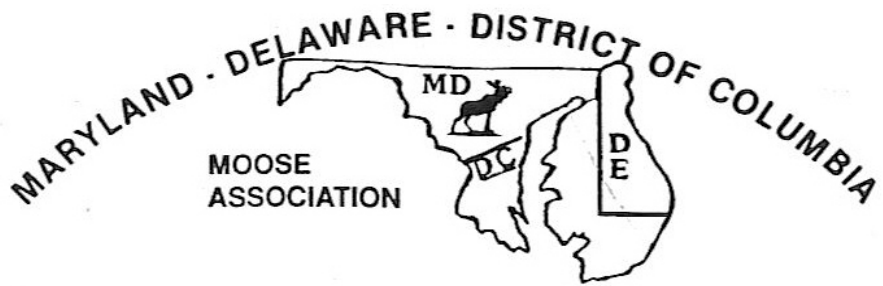


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Got a problem in your Lodge or Chapter? Call one of these people. If you don't call, they won't know you need help!

From the Desk of MD-DE-DC Regional Manager Jim Hale



Message from the Regional Manager -

Another State Convention is now history and what a convention it was. We had a good turnout for the Shining Star Program. It takes a lot of hard work from all of our volunteers to put this program together. To each and every one of our volunteers, our sincerest thanks. To each of our nominees we say thank you for working hard throughout the year toward achieving special recognition. Without you, there would not be a Shining Star Program.

As promised, our meetings covered a full range of topics with everything being covered and we were always able to finish our meetings in a timely manner. To everyone that gave a report, thank you.

As summer draws to a close, the kids are back to school and most of the vacations are out of the way, it is now time to concentrate on creating interest in our lodges with a full array of activities for our members. I believe that if we do this and create more FUN, we should see an increase in member applications and renewals. **CREATE SOME INTEREST** is a vital part of our fraternity. **CREATING INTEREST** is demonstrating what our fraternity stands for. Our future is dependant upon interesting things to do and having fun. We need to talk more about Mooseheart and Moosehaven and the great accomplishments that we have created for our kids and seniors. When talking to prospective members, make sure they have heard the story of our Twin Cities.

The Red Ramblers team, under the training of Coach Urwiler, is standing now at 8-0. What a great accomplishment for the team, the coaches and for all the great publicity for Mooseheart. **CONGRATULATIONS** for a job well done; they know how to **CREATE SOME INTEREST**.

Homecoming wasn't quite the same this year for us. Because of our vacation, we were unable to attend the second annual trip to Mooseheart for Homecoming. In conversations I've had with several, it sounds like they had a really good time and many new memories were created for everyone.

Once again, a special thanks to each of you for all you do on behalf of our children and seniors each day. And as the holiday season is fast approaching, Dona and I wish each of you a very special and safe Holiday Season.

Fraternally,
JIM

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The quality of member names appears in our applications each month for 12 consecutive months, beginning September 1, 2011. One application submitted on the system will be considered each month for 12 consecutive months. This is the last day of the application month. Each qualifying application is due to be received at Mooseheart by 10:00 PM Central Time on August 1, 2012. Tips & not to be eligible members for 2013 International Moose Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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MISSION THREE

November 1, 2011 - January 31, 2012

Moose International has put a **bounty** on former members who are eligible to **re-enroll**, and it's your chance to **cash in!**

For each former member brought back into the L.O.O.M. or W.O.T.M. during this quarter, sponsors will be awarded a voucher worth \$4.00 toward Catalog Sales merchandise.*

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See your Lodge Administrator or Chapter Recorder for information on former members who qualify for re-enrollment.



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Community Service



2nd Annual

Scenic Motor-Cycle Ride
BENEFIT POKER RUN

Saturday, October 15th, 2011

Registration 10-11:30 @ Frederick Moose
Ride Starts at 12:00 noon

828 East Patrick Street
Frederick, Md

\$15.00 per driver ~ **FOOD** ~ ~ **BAKE SALE** ~ ~ **DRAWINGS** ~
\$10.00 per passenger ~ **MUSIC** ~ ~ **AUCTIONS** ~ ~
~ **DOOR PRIZES** ~ ~ **RAFFLES** ~

Please join us for a Benefit Poker Ride to support Kim Hildebrand and Corey Hunt on their roads to recovery. Kim had Type 1 Diabetes for over 37 years, which lead to advanced Heart Disease, a triple bypass and then Kidney failure. Kim received a kidney and pancreas transplant last year and has had "a few bumps in the road along the way."

Corey is a 21 year old college student, attending Shippensburg University, also from Frederick, Maryland. He was diagnosed in 2010 with a very rare form of cancer called Synovial Sarcoma. Corey has undergone the last 9 months of chemotherapy, radiation treatments, and surgical procedures. He has recently been allowed to head back to college.

All proceeds from this Ride-for-Life Benefit will be used to help offset the out-of-pocket medical expenses related to their health issues, doctors appointments, hospital stays, medications and needed continuing treatments.

For More Information Contact
Billy Hildebrand
301-748-2077
or Frederick Moose 301-662-1640
Rain Date Sunday, October 16th




On Saturday October 15th the Frederick Moose Family Center 371 sponsored a Poker Run. Ride for Life, to Support Kim Hildebrand and Corey Hunt both from Frederick, Maryland.

Kim had type 1 diabetes for over 37 years, which lead to advance heart disease, a triple bypass and then to kidney failure. Kim received a Kidney and pancreas transplant last year. Kim has had many bumps along the way with her recovery from the transplant surgery and continues to adjust to the anti-rejection meds. She has had to return for hospitalization several times since the transplant. She maintains a beautiful spirit during these times.

Corey is a 21 year old college student, attending Shippensburg University. Corey was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer called Synovial Sarcoma. Corey has undergone months of chemotherapy, radiation treatments and surgical procedures. He has recently been allowed to head back to college. As of this time he has been in remission from the cancer.

At this Poker Run we had over 75 Motorcycle riders and passengers participate. We also had over 20 volunteers helping with the various activities. Other than the ride, we held a bake sale, raffle, silent auction, 50/50 and had a DJ for music.

The event raised \$6,200.00(\$3100 to each Kim and Corey). These funds will be used to help offset the out of pocket expenses concerning their continuing health issues.

We at the Frederick Moose Lodge 371 wish both Kim and Corey the best.



Pictured are, from left, William Hildebrand, Wayne Kaikko, and Mike Stumbaugh presenting the check for \$6200 to recipients Kim Hildebrand and Corey Hunt.

The bikers are ready to roll on the Poker Run which earned \$6200 for Kim Hildebrand and Corey Hunt.



Community Service



Three years ago, Chapter 1814 adopted an elementary school class, and they have donated money to the class each year since for school supplies, etc.



Cumberland Moose Lodge #271 showed their community who they were in the annual Fort Ashby Volunteer Fire Department parade on August 6, 2011.



An annual event at Williamsport Moose Lodge #2462 is to host a spaghetti dinner for the Williamsport Girls Soccer Team. On September 21st, Frank Weaver, his wife Melissa and Administrator Russ Robinson cooked and served the dinner to the team. Looks like the girls had a good time!



Williamsport Lodge presented Tommy Moose to the local police department. PSG Ron Sweetman was there are the presentation.



Bryan Shepherd, Russ Robinson and Ron Snoeberger attended a fund raiser at Williamsport Lodge where a raffle raised over \$600 for their annual Christmas families project. To the right, Tina, from the band Hicktown, had attendees singing with her.



Community Service



Elkton Lodge #851 and Chapter #969 held an open-house earlier this Fall to show the community what the Moose is all about. In the course of the festivities, they had a yard sale and presented cases of Tommy Moose to local the Cecil County Sheriff's Department, Singerly Fire Department and Cecil County Department of Emergency Management.



When visiting Our House last year after the Homecoming gave. Williamsport Administrator Russ Robinson noticed the need for a larger



this year and Bryan Shepherd and before Homecoming. Williamsport a larger grill after Russ saw how number of people who came to at Mooseheart. In the photo on strike a pose with Mike Worden, our house at Mooseheart. In the helping Mike get the grill prepped the middle with the red border is a family teachers to Williamsport. to cook up another batch of bur-



grill. The Lodge donated one Russ delivered it one week port Lodge decided to donate difficult it was to cook for the the house after major events the right, Bryan and Russ one of the family teachers in photo on the left, Russ is for future use. The photo in thank you from the boys and They look like they're ready gers and dogs!!

Happenings around our Association



Cumberland Moose Lodge #271 held its annual picnic on August 20th.



New Castle Lodge #1578 and Chapter #1418 hosted a picnic for the Delaware Special Olympics on Sept. 11th. Since it was a rainy day, it was held in the ball-room of the Lodge



and, from the looks of these photos, everyone had a great time! The athletes danced and sang, ate hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and cake.

The Moose members helping had as much fun as the athletes did. Rain didn't stop these people from having a picnic!



Happenings around our Association



Halloween festivities at
Waldorf Lodge



Halloween at New Castle



The couple above are regulars at



all dances at New Castle. He is close to 93. The big people below were brought by DJ Jeff Rankin and kids had pictures taken with them.



Delmar Council of Higher Degree Banquet

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New Degree Members

There were 2 Academy Members
2 College of Regents
1 Fellowship Member and
1 Pilgrim

Valor Award & VFW Donation



Firefighter Chris Keene was selected as the Firefighter of the Year at Lower Eastern Shore Lodge #2431. Due to bad weather, he was unable to attend the event at the Lodge, so was given the award at a meeting. From left to right: Association Treasurer Tom Niblett, Lower Eastern Shore Administrator Jack Higgins, Honoree Chris Keene and Deputy Regional Manager Len Sprinkle. Chris was presented with a case of Tommy Moose.

At the recent District Meeting of the Loyal Order of Moose held at the Newark Moose Family Center #630, Delaware State President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Joanne Smith was presented with a check from Lodge Governor Chuck Peters for Operation Uplink. Operation Uplink is a program that assists military personnel keep in touch with their families.



Senior Regent Beth L'Heureux presented Ms. Smith with a box of "goodies" to be taken to the Veterans Hospital, pockets to be used on wheelchairs and walkers, knitted footies made by Newark Chapter #705 and coupons for deployed military families.



Give the Gift of Life - Donate Blood!!

Blood is urgently needed in the MD-DE-DC area. The Blood Banks are very low. We have had so many catastrophic events recently that we need to be prepared and fill our Blood Banks. I am asking that all Lodges consider holding a Blood Drive or get together with nearby Lodges and jointly hold a Blood Drive. If your Lodge is having a Blood Drive or a Joint Blood Drive, you need to advertise it in your area at local stores and public places. If you need information regarding how to have a Drive, contact me and I will help your Lodge get the proper information. If you hold a Blood Drive, please let me know so I can report it to the Association. Remember, this is a Community Service function and will go on your Community Service Report. My email is cillfloey@hotmail.com; telephone 301-599-8727.

Floyd E. Johnson, Blood Chairman

Delmarva Blood Bank Locations:

Wilmington, DE - 913 N. Market St.

Newark, DE - 100 Hygeia Dr.

Dover, DE - 221 Saulsbury Rd.

Salisbury, MD - 1309 Mt. Hermon Rd.

Baltimore & Washington, DC

Call Floyd and Millie Johnson

and they can

direct you as to who you
need to call for information.

Government Relations Message by Association Coordinator Bessie Staab-Hickman

There has been a lot of publicity about “Buying American to preserve jobs and create more” as many companies are still owned and operated here. Part of being sure you are purchasing American Made is to try and understand the bar codes. The most common are 12 numbers the first of which is what type of product. The next 5 relate to the manufacturer with the next 5 relating to the product and the last is to assure the product scanned correctly. In groceries, etc., numbers that begin with 690, 691 and 692 are made in China. 471 is for Taiwan, 30-37 is for France, 40-44 is for Germany, 49 is for Japan, 50 is for the United Kingdom and American and Canadian begin with 00-09. “LOOK FOR THE ZEROS”! You can get a lot of this information from the internet.



Another interesting email is about gift giving. Giving gift certificates to local restaurants, oil changes, barber or beauty shops, local crafters, home fuel, etc. - this list could go on forever if we just thought about what our friends and families could really use.

Speaking of fuel - many who have tried to get started for their home heating fuel have gotten a big sticker shock. With all the resources in the United States, why are two more local refineries, Sunoco and Conoco, threatened with closure? This will cause one more domino effect we cannot afford. Why are we not making those calls and sending those emails to ask why?

According to the Washington Weekly, the folks still in active service stand a good chance of having their pay and benefits cut. The retirees could get some increased benefits plus a small increase in pay. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure this is a trade-off. If you want to help, please voice your opinion by calling your representatives and senators. There are a multitude of avenues where we can help those who are in harm's way and those at home who are struggling. Many of these families are Moose members. All troops enjoy getting cards or goodie boxes.

Respectfully Submitted, Bessie Staab-Hickman



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167 Carnation Drive
Magnolia, DE 19972

Operations Uplink Chairman Carl F. Voigt
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Pilgrim and College Celebrations



**Congratulations to all Pilgrim Degree of Merit recipients and
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MD-DC-DE Moose Legion Ambassadors & their Territory

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HORSE SHOES

Men's/Women's Horseshoes
Strasburg, VA Lodge 403
(Jul. 29-31)

GOLF

Men's/Women's/Mixed
Scramble Golf
PGA Natl. Resort & Spa
Palm Beach Gardens, FL
(Aug. 5-7)





SOFTBALL

Men's/Women's Softball
Elgin, IL
(Aug. 26-28)

Poker — January 8-12
Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament
Golden Nugget Hotel & Casino
Las Vegas, NV



Bowling — March 17-May 13
Men's/Women's/Mixed Bowling
Springfield, OH lodge # 536 (weekends Only)



Darts — April 20-22
Men's/Women's Darts
Barberton, OH Lodge 759



Pool — June 20-23
Men's/Women's Pool
Mansfield, OH Lodge 341



Softball — July 13-15
Men's/Women's Softball
Muncie, IN Lodge 33



Horseshoes — July 20-22
Men's/Women's Horseshoes
Lynchburg South, VA Lodge 1727



Golf — August 3-5
Men's/Women's/Mixed Scramble Golf
Murfreesboro, TN Lodge 645



Visit the Moose International website at:



www.mooseintl.org/portal/Sports/sport.asp
for additional information on these events
or call (630) 966-2218

Special Olympics Golf Tournament



Cecil County Special Olympics held its annual golf tournament in October this year. The ladies on the left checked in the players.



The little girl in the photo on the left could hit the ball better than some of the golfers!! The house in the photo below is the Atley Armour House and the original home on the land the golf course is built on. It dates back to the early 1700s, but it is now beyond repair. The land is beautiful with ponds and neighboring homes & farms.



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Supreme Governor's Visit to MD-DE-DC



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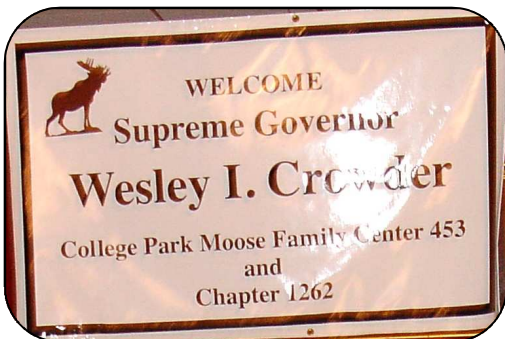
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Supreme Governor's Visit to MD-DE-DC



Annapolis
Lodge
11-5-11



College
Park
Lodge
11-6-11



Deputy Supreme Gov. Don Shelnett

Dear Brothers and Co-Workers:

Supreme Governor Wesley Crowder's visit has been completed. We visited Wheaton, Glen Burnie, Annapolis, College Park Lodges and had lunch at Silver Spring's new home. Many donations were received for the MD-DE-DC House and the Endowment Fund. The Supreme Governor presented several plaques and Tommy Moose. Jim Bolling was presented his 175 member 25 Club Card. Bob Hannah received a certificate for his 40 years as the Blood Bank Chairman. We heard talks from Firemen, Policemen, a Sheriff, Mayor, State Senator and Special Investigator. We also visited the Naval Academy in Annapolis, which was interesting to all of us.



It was a nice four days with the Supreme Governor, Regional Manager Jim Hale, Secretary Jim Bolling and his wife, Fran, and my wife, Virginia. I think the Supreme Governor enjoyed meeting everyone and I know they enjoyed him.

Thanks to Frank Courtney, approximately 520 tickets were paid for by donations from our Lodge and Chapter members. The entrance fee for the students to attend the Regional Football Playoffs was \$5 per person. Frank asked for donations to help the kids see their team go for it. They ended up with a 10-1 season this year. Any money over the amount needed is to be going to the MD-DE-DC House Fund.

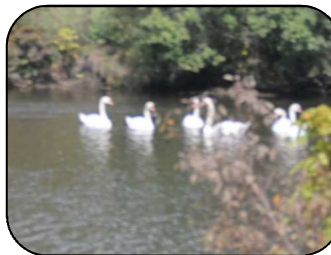
I want to thank everyone from all Lodges and Chapters who made our Supreme Governor's visit a pleasant and enjoyable one.



Fraternally,
Don Shelnett
Deputy Supreme Governor



Homecoming at Mooseheart



News from the District Presidents

District 1 - Robert Hall, President

Brothers and Co-Workers,

Thank you for electing me to be your 1st District President for the coming year. By the time you read this article we are more than half way through the Moose Year. Our International membership campaign theme is "CREATE SOME INTEREST". Your individual lodges should have an "In House" Campaign going on at this time. Create some interest by coming up with ideas for fundraising events and Membership drives. Go to your board of officers if you have any ideas in helping our lodges in our District. Keep in mind the promise we made to aid and protect Mooseheart and Moosehaven to the fullest extent of our ability.

We need to establish financial stability by filling our lodge calendars with activities seven days a week for our members which will bring in needed funds. We need to increase lodge membership by promoting campaigns and recognizing those members that bring in new Members. We need to be promoting volunteerism. We should never be afraid to ask anyone to volunteer for anything. Volunteerism is the backbone of the Loyal Order of Moose. It is how we have survived all these many years and should be recognizing their volunteers every chance we can. The more members you recognize the more you will get to volunteer. We should be working every single day to make our lodges the Friendliest Place in Town. We need you now more than ever to get our lodges through these tough times.



Fraternally, Robert Hall

District 2 - Russ Robinson, President

Brothers and Co-Workers,

Hope this Communicator finds all of you in good health, and Creating Some Interest, in all of your lodges.



Coming into the holiday season it is easy to see why we belong to such a GREAT fraternal organization. In every direction, in District II we can see volunteers increasing, more free holiday meals, and Christmas baskets, to those of us less fortunate. When a call goes out to our Association (for example the most recent a last minute plea by our Webmaster Frank Courtney, to make sure the kids at Mooseheart get to see the Ramblers compete in the play-offs, at no cost to them), within hours of sending the e-mail more than enough was raised.

By the time you read this my district will have completed the largest fundraiser, in recent history for our district. A gun raffle to raise almost \$2,400.00, a job well done in advance, from myself.

The economy worsens, and news is always so negative, but, when I walk into the doors of my lodge or one of many in the Association, suddenly, all of the woes of the day are erased, and I am again with family of all shapes, sizes, man and woman alike. We are blessed to belong to such a great organization, I wish all of you in my District, and around the Association a very safe and Happy Thanksgiving, and Merry Christmas!!!!

I will NEVER forget the M-O-O-S-E Heart Team....great job guys.....we wowed them again

Fraternally yours, Russ Robinson

P.S. WHOSE HOUSE???????

District 3 - Wayne D. Kraft, President

Greetings from the Mighty Third!!

It is hard to believe that Spring & Summer are now a distant memory and soon the Holiday Season will soon be upon us. I hope all our Brothers and Co-Workers enjoy the very best of the Holidays.

I want to thank the Third District membership for placing their collective trust in me to serve a second year as your District President. Last year we made some gains and improvements, but also suffered the loss of one our Family Centers. With the help of the District Board and the continuing assistance of our membership the Mighty Third will once again not only survive, but thrive in our fraternity.

As we all should know the International Membership Campaign is Create Some Interest. Have you as a member reached out and invited your friends, neighbors and family to see what our Fraternity offers? When you speak of your Lodge social events are you Creating that interest? Have you discussed the many community service projects our Fraternity supports? Talked about our Children at Mooseheart and our Seniors at Moosehaven? Let' us all "Git R' Done!"

Thanks again for all you do.



Fraternally, Wayne Kraft

Bull Roast for Katie's Cause - Dec. 3, 2011

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December 3, 2011 @ Westminster Moose Family Center
309 Buena Vista Dr. Westminster Md. 21157



This is Katie. She is four years old. In the beginning of August this year Katie contracted meningitis. As a result of the disease, she has lost her hearing. In an attempt to restore her hearing her doctors have implanted a cochlear device in her left ear. They are anticipating another implant being needed in her right ear. Her health insurance does not cover the cost of the implants, which are approximately \$50,000 each. A bull roast, sponsored by Westminster Moose Family Center, is being held to help defer the cost of the implants. Music by DJ Marshall's Melodies. Catered by Carroll Concessions. Cost of the ticket is \$25.00 per person and can be purchased in advance by contacting Ted @ 443-250-8224 or you can send an email to katiescause@hotmail.com for additional information. Tickets will also be available at the door. 100% of profits will go towards Katie's medical bills.

Beer
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Silent Auction

Door Prizes
50/50
Money Wheel
Cake Wheel
Sodas

Pit Beef Pit Ham Pit Turkey Italian Sausage Baked Beans Sides

District Presidents' Report (cont.)

District 5- William "Woody" Woodward, President

Brothers and Co-Workers:

Now that summer is over and fall and winter are here, you need to take time and look around your lodge and see what needs to be done to Create Some Interest for members to come and make your home successful. As we approach the holidays take a look in your community and see who needs help - possibly food and clothes. As I have been out in the lodges, I notice the drop and arrearage lists are posted on the board - get your committee together and call these people and find out why they are not paying dues. You will found out and see what can help them to come back. Doing the same things over and over gets old and not drawing the people back. Create Some Interest by doing something new.

Take a moment to look at the arrearage list and see if it has servicemen on it. Lodges pay their dues and show them you care for what they are doing for you and our country.

I want to thank the lodges for fine job of hosting our Supreme Governor. He enjoyed his trip very much and thanks you all.

I would like to take this time to say, from the board of officers of the fabulous 5th and from my house to yours, please have safe, warm and wonderful holidays.

Fraternally, Woody Woodward



New 25 Club Honorees



The MD-DE-DC Moose Association is proud to announce the names of our **25 Club** honorees:

25 Club Members

25 Division

Sandra Rayne #1546
William D. Rayne #203
Phyllis Spiering #1456
Thomas B. Willis, Jr. #831

75 Division

Cathy Gardner #1176
Howard L. Hopkins #203
R. C. Stewart #1709

100 Division

Bruce A. Dewey #2316
Richard Niblett #654
Barbara Seeney #1418



3 Year Award

Diane McDermott #97 Phyllis Spiering #1546

150 Division

Betty Hand #1262



50 Year Members



Dorothy Bowers #660
Henry Coghlan #203
James R. Cox #1577
Emma Lou Ford #882
Thomas O. Hammond #1582
William H. Mohler, III #1582
Marck O. Mulligan #70
Janice Nicholson #1435
Victor C. Noel #1577
Orville J. Oulten #654
Ida M. Poteet #1208
Elmer Lee Purdham #2462

Thomas J. Rostkowski #70
Edith Shannon #1176
Sidney Silverman #1775
Richard W. Winehart #371
Layon E. Utterback #1582
William L. Washington #1582
Ronald L. Williams #1582
Regis L. Buckwalter #2435

Moose Legion

John L. Jamison #183

CONGRATULATIONS !!!

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Need help? Call your Deputy Regional Manager first - he'll send you to an analyst.

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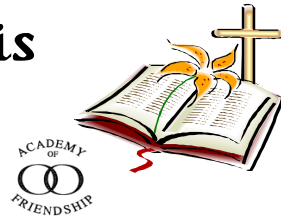
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In Memory



Margaret Tootsie Ellis

Member of Columbia Chapter
Academy of Friendship Member



Charles D. Horne

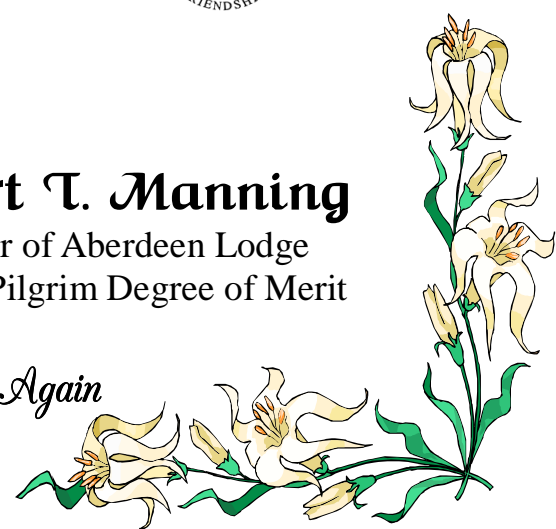
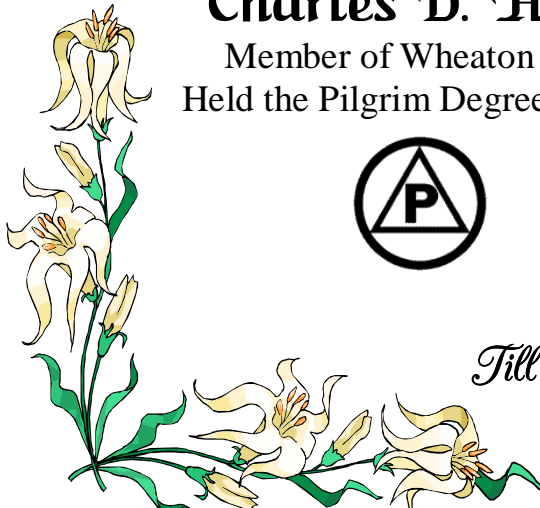
Member of Wheaton Lodge
Held the Pilgrim Degree of Merit



Robert T. Manning

Member of Aberdeen Lodge
Held the Pilgrim Degree of Merit

Fill We Meet Again

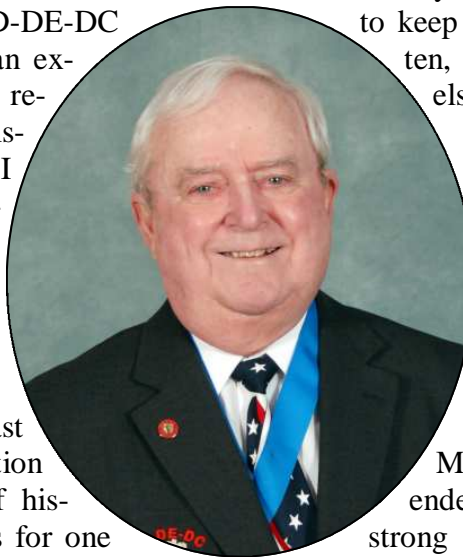


Sympathies are extended on behalf of the MD-DE-DC Moose Association to
and all Brothers & Co-Workers who have lost loved ones in recent months.

In Memory of Robert T. Manning

I had only known Bob for a few years before he and Nellie moved to North Carolina, but his knowledge of the history of MD-DE-DC always amazed me. He had an extensive library of memorabilia relating to the Moose and the history of our Association. Often I would ask for some item of history to use in the Communicator, and Bob would come up with something interesting for me to use.

He had a full library of past newsletters of our Association which showed many years of history. All that was needed was for one to ask if he could remember what happened, and Bob would find out in his archives of memo-



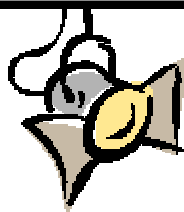
abilia. He was always ready to take on another project to keep it from dying among the forgotten, and kept it going until someone else could take up the reins.

We already have missed Bob from when he and Nellie moved South, but now we will need to keep him in our hearts and remember his enthusiasm for the Moose and his ever ready smile to help us along the way.

May he smile down on us as we endeavor to keep our Fraternity strong to continue supporting Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

the Editor

In the Spotlight - Our Boys



I received a special delivery from "Our House" at Mooseheart and here's the news on our guys!! Family Teacher Angela Pope took time from her busy schedule to send this to me along with the newest school photos .

"Maryland/Delaware/DC Home is doing fantastic, but we are going through a bit of a transition period. We have some kids that are no longer with us and we have some new kids that have become part of the family.

Kendall Owens: Our resident senior is doing fantastic! Kendall was crowned Homecoming King (just like his brother, Vernon, the year before). He was on that awesome 10-



1 football play-off team and was a starter for most of the season. After a short break, he is now practicing with the basketball team, where we fully expect him to be on the traveling team. He has filled out paperwork for North Illinois University, University of Illinois Chicago, Indiana State University and Kansas State. He is also on the Mastery Achievers list. Kendall is having a magnificent senior year!

Adrian Owens is Kendall and Vernon's younger brother and a lot of fun to be around. Adrian is 14 years old and in the 9th grade. We lovingly refer to him as Three-Pete because he's the third Owens brother to attend Mooseheart. He is active in sports and played on the Junior Varsity football and will play on the Junior Varsity basketball team. Adrian is working hard to be a good student at Mooseheart and is picking up things quickly. He has made weekly status and is doing very well.



Matthew Radkiewicz is 14 years old and in the 9th grade. Matt has an awesome smile and a pleasant demeanor. He has been in MD-DE-DC for a week now and has fit in like a glove! He has jumped in with both feet and joined the basketball team! Matt is amazed that people that don't know him want to help and, as one of the other boys explained it to him, "They do it because they love us!" Matt is eager to learn and is doing well in school and the home.

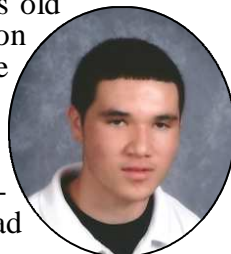
MeKhale Campbell is new to our home as well. He is 14 and in the 8th grade. MeKhale is learning about MD-DE-DC and is working hard to get to know everyone. He loves sports and will be on the basketball team. We are looking

forward to getting to know MeKhale better in the days to come.



Dominik Solis is 16 years old and in the 10th grade. Although quiet, he is an awesome wrestler and enjoys the sport. Dom is looking forward to the holidays so he can spend time with his family. He is currently on the Mastery Achiever's list.

Angel Rodriguez is 14 years old and has had a great time being on Mooseheart's new Drum line this year! Angel is musically talented in the area of percussion instruments. Hopefully, Angel will be playing basketball for the Junior Varsity squad this year.



Juan Solis is doing well this year. He is 15 years old and in the 10th grade. He was named LIT of the year this summer. Out of all the Leaders in Training, Juan was voted hands down as the best! He now serves on the PR council at school as a liaison for the students. Juan is excited about playing basketball, but not all happy about the NBA lockout (a huge Bulls fan).



Aaron Moka is 15 years old and in the 10th grade. Aaron is about as outgoing as they come. He is a musician and an artist. He has recently found his passion for being on the Drum line, and man can he get a crowd fired up! He is also an alto sax player in the band. Aaron has drawn some really good renditions of famous people, including Marilyn Monroe. Aaron is on the wrestling team and he really loves it.



Derick Graeser is 13 years old and in the 8th grade. Derick was on the middle school football team and really enjoyed playing. He is an adamant Missou fan and that makes Linda really happy! Derick is a fantastic student and is on the Mastery Achievers list. Derick is currently holding on to being #1 in his class academically. He is an avid reader and often is seen reading the encyclopedia!



In the Spotlight - Our Boys (continued)

Wal Khat is 15 years old and in the 10th grade. Wal is a fantastic runner from Southern Sudan. Wal loves running and would run a 11 of the time. Wal has been in the United States for about 6 months and is learning all of the time. We are anticipating his 1st snow ever very soon! Wal is a good student and is on the Mastery Achievers list. He was named Environmental Task Force Worker of the Year this past summer. Wal is looking forward to running in more races very soon.



Danielle is doing great in school. She is a senior and, like Kendall, starting to get excited about graduating. She is working now and that makes her Mom and Dad happy!

Linda is coming along very well. We hope to

have her back at work very soon. She is now driving and lifting weights, too!! You go, Linda!

Mike is happy that Linda is doing so well. He has continued to work hard with the boys turning them into productive men of tomorrow. Great job, Mike!

Angela is helping to train new staff, working hard for Samaritan's Purse and Operation Christmas Child by collecting shoeboxes at Mooseheart. Love that community service!

We are all looking forward to decorating for Christmas and were involved in helping set up the Holiday Lights at Mooseheart.

Thank you, MD-DE-DC Moose, we love you so much and can't wait to see you all again! Who's House?? Our House!! Why?! **Because YOU care!!**"

Angela Pope, Family Teacher

Everybody likes to get a birthday card - especially our children and seniors!! Here's a list of our Mooseheart and Moosehaven residents' birthdays - send them a card!

Our Boys at Mooseheart:

MeKhale Campbell - 3/20/97
 Derick Graeser - 2/18/98
 Wal Khat - 1/11/96
 Aaron Moka - 4/20/96
 Adrian Owens - 3/18/97
 Kendall Owens - 10/4/93
 Matthew Radkiewicz - 4/28/97
 Angel Rodriguez - 2/14/97
 Dominik Solis - 3/18/95
 Juan Solis - 6/23/96

Addresses:

Boy's Name, MD-DE-DC House
 c/o Sunshine Dept.
 115 James J. Davis Drive
 Mooseheart, IL 60539



Resident's Name
 1701 Park Avenue
 Orange Park, FL 32073



Our Residents at Moosehaven:

James J. Lupo, Jr. - 1/24
 Blanche E. Neighoff - 3/19
 Edward Pelkey - 7/28
 Mary Pelkey - 5/24



Did you know that there are four verses to the Star Spangled Banner?



O! say can you see by the dawn's early light,
 What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
 Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
 O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
 And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
 Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there;
 O! say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

On the shore, dimly seen through the mists of the deep,
 Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
 What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
 As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
 Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
 In full glory reflected now shines in the stream:
 'Tis the star-spangled banner, O! long may it wave
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

And where is that band who so vauntingly swore
 That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion,
 A home and a country should leave us no more!
 Their blood has washed out their foul footsteps' pollution.
 No refuge could save the hireling and slave
 From the terror of flight, or the gloom of the grave:
 And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

O! thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand
 Between their loved home and the war's desolation!
 Blest with victory and peace, may the heav'n rescued land
 Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation.
 Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
 And this be our motto: "In God is our trust."
 And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

Travels with the Moose

Rose Parade Tour

5 Days *Join other Moose departing December 30, 2011* from **\$848***

Start in Los Angeles (4 nights) with a city tour of L.A., Hollywood, Beverly Hills, and an exclusive, pre-parade, after public hours, float building and viewing at the Floats and Flowers Expo. Watch the artists put the "finishing touches" on the floats unencumbered by public crowds! On Monday, January 2, 2012, enjoy your reserved grandstand seats at the Rose Parade!

Hawaii Cruise & Tour

12 Days *Join other Moose departing February 17, 2012* from **\$2098***

Start in Honolulu, Hawaii and exciting Waikiki Beach for one night. The following day board NCL's *Pride of America* for the start of your Hawaii Cruise Experience. Sail upon the big, blue, Pacific to ports in Kahului, Maui (2-days), offering beautiful sea vistas; Hilo, the flower capital of Hawaii; Kona, Hawaii and take a walking tour through one of the many island coffee plantations. Continue to Nawiliwili, Kauai, nicknamed the 'Garden Island' with glorious stretches of palm-fringed beaches and cruise the Na Pali Coast. Disembark in Honolulu and enjoy a city tour including, the Punch Bowl Crater, Pearl Harbor and the USS Arizona Memorial. Spend a final three days and nights in Waikiki with an included city tour of Honolulu and Pearl Harbor.

Save on this Repositioning Cruise

Caribbean & Mediterranean Cruise

Plus . . . Italy Tour

22 Days *Join other Moose departing March 17, 2012* from **\$2447***

MSC Cruise Lines has to get the new "state-of-the-art" MSC Poesia from Ft. Lauderdale, to Italy. Launched in 2008, it weighs in at 92,000 tons, a perfect size for this trans-Atlantic cruise.

Start in Ft. Lauderdale, have 2 days at sea; first port: San Juan, PR. Escape the last of winter in the warm Caribbean waters. Stop in Phillipsburg/St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles plus St. John Antigua and Barbuda before the transatlantic crossing on this elegant ship. On March 28, visit Funchal (Madeira), Portugal. Three Spanish ports include: Malaga, Alicante, and Barcelona. Disembark in Genoa for your five day tour of Italy including Genoa, Pisa, Montecatini, Florence, Orvieto, Rome, and Vatican City. Sightseeing includes Leaning Tower of Pisa, Tuscany region, Ancient Rome, Roman Forum, Coliseum, Vatican Museum, St. Peter's Basilica, Sistine Chapel and more! Fly home April 7.

Best of Ireland

12 Days *Join other Moose departing May 17, 2012* from **\$1658***

Start in Dublin with a city tour including Trinity College (housing the Book of Kells), Dublin Castle, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Cork, Blarney Castle, Killarney (boat cruise), Kenmare, and Tralee. Drive the "Ring of Kerry", tour the restored Guinness Mansion, and Bunratty Castle, built in 1425. Visit the Cliffs of Moher, Galway, Connemara, Sligo and the Bundoran area, plus Enniskillen, Ulster, Belfast & the Giant's Causeway.

Holland America Line

Alaska Cruise

Plus . . . The Canadian Rockies Tour

15 Days *Join other Moose departing June 12, 2012* from **\$2298***

Visit the last of the wilderness-like areas in North America all from the comfort of your deluxe motor coach and cruise ship. Fly into Calgary starting your scenic six-day motor coach tour to Vancouver, B.C. You'll visit Calgary, Banff National Park, Lake Louise, take a "SnoCoach" ride over the Columbia Ice Fields, visit Jasper National Park, and Vancouver, B.C., where you'll board your 5-STAR cruise ship for your seven-day Holland America Line cruise. Travel through a wondrous maze of forested-island and glacier-carved fjords, past charming coastal villages, migrating whales and calving glaciers to Juneau, Skagway, Glacier Bay, and Ketchikan.

*Not Affiliated with Moose International Travel Program. *Price per person, based on double occupancy. Airfare is extra.*



Call for details & itinerary 7 days a week:

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MD-DE-DC Councils of Higher Degrees



Meeting Schedule

Black-Eyed Susans Council

Meetings to be
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**Timothy Speakman -
Claymont Moose FC #847**

Top Moose Legion



**Blue Hen ML #186
Larry Clark - President**

Top Moose Legion Sponsor



**William Rayne -
Blue Hen ML #186**

Top Endowment Fund Chapter



**Lower Easter Shore
Chapter #2089**

Top Endowment Fund Lodge



**Smyrna Clayton Moose FC
#2046**

Top Chapter of the Year



**Annapolis
Chapter #661**

Top Lodge of the Year



**East Sussex Moose FC
Lodge #2542**

Top Administrator of the Year



**Glen Densmore
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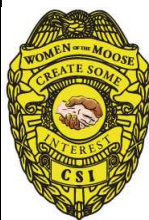
Memories of Hunt Valley 2011



Top five Chapters in MD-DE-DC



1. Annapolis
2. East Sussex
3. Harrington
4. Dundalk
5. Essex



A message from Jr. Past Grand Regent Libby

Hello Co-Workers,

As winter comes and the first snow is gone for some of you, we should think good thoughts for the upcoming months, such as our Children at Mooseheart who need our care, love and devotion, and our Seniors at Moosehaven who are enjoying life in their sunset years.

Where would they be without us – our love, our support and most importantly our donations!

Talking about donations – Once again, our fundraisers from the WOTM at our Annual Conference in Hunt Valley were a success. The total amount donated to Moose Charities and earmarked for the Gimme 5 program, totaled \$1,962.00. Way to go Co-workers!

At this time I would like to thank all the Past State/International Officers and co-workers who donated money, time and items that helped make this possible. Besides the homemade items and 50/50's, Christa Mumford donated a beautiful diamond necklace and bracelet.

As you know our 5th year of the GimmeFive project is going by fast. It ends at our next International Convention/Conference which will be held in Tampa Florida - June 29-July 4, 2012. If you haven't already fulfilled your individual 5 year total donation of \$182.50, there is still time to do so. You can mail them directly to Moose Charities, earmarked GimmeFive. Remember, they are fully tax deductible. So let's work together – **As a Team** - to accomplish what needs to be done to ensure the future of our Twin Cities, by supporting our programs and most importantly Moose Charities.

Talking about Tampa, door prizes will be needed for our meetings and luncheons. If your chapter desires to donate and it is approved by the Board of Officers & Co-workers, please let me know by January 2012, so I can take this back to our Council meeting in early February.

Touching base again about Moose Charities, did you send me the names, addresses & phone numbers of your chairman, per my e-mail request? As this position is now one of our nine

chapter development chairman, it is essential that I have her information for a point of contact. I am looking into ideas for future fundraising and I do need their input and help. I can be reached by e-mail - olschmidt@comcast.net or by phone: 302-422-7553. Please let me know ASAP.

And, last but not least, our very own MD-DE-DC Regional Association has taken on the responsibility of a yearly commitment of \$120,000, to fully fund our very own home at Mooseheart. Regardless of how large or how small your check will be, all donations are welcome. Remember these are our children and they are what we are all about, and the time is now to "Create Some Interest" in our lodges and chapters and fulfill this commitment, each and every year.

And, yes we are all about Money and Members! I just returned from Council/Board meetings at Mooseheart, and hear that our membership is down in both lodges and chapters. **1/3 of our 42 chapters** didn't submit a new, re-enrolled or reinstated member during the entire month of October. Members are our survival, so let's work on this weak spot and make our Association #1. **We can do it!**

In Friendship,
Libby



P.S. When you get time, please check out the new Moose Charities website and see how we can also help by collecting Box Tops and participating in the Recycling program.



Libby with Past Grand Regent Betty Steiner and Deputy Barbara Sue Cornell at the Supreme Governor visit to Glen Burnie Lodge on November 4th.

Moose Legion Councilman Danny Williams



ENDOWMENT FUND CRADLE FUNDRAISER

We want you to support the future of Mooseheart and Moosehaven in your Lodge home in honor of James J. Davis and Mooseheart Founders Day on October 27th during the month of October.

Our "Goal" is to help "Moose Charities" raise \$100,000.00 for the Mooseheart/Moosehaven Endowment Fund. Every Lodge was sent a "Cradle Fundraiser" poster and "Paper Cradles" to get started.

Place the poster in a prominent location in your Lodge where collections will be made and paper cradles can be displayed. Promote and encourage everyone to participate the entire month of October. Collect cash, be it \$1.00, \$5.00 or whatever. Personal checks may be accepted payable to "Moose Charities" and be included in the total collected by your Lodge and Chapter.

Ask each and every member or guest to become a donor. Write his or her name on these paper cradles. Let's all donate and make this "Cradle Fundraiser" a huge success.

MD DE DC Home Project

We are in mid term for our 1st year of paying \$120,000.00 for wages, maintenance etc. and upkeep for our home that is located on the campus of "Mooseheart". We owe approximately \$48,000.00 toward our 1st year in this endeavor. This is a yearly project that we have undertaken. This project will be forever as long as our name is on this home. So please bring your donations to our Mid-Year Conference in Ocean City, MD in February.

We will be having our Annual Auction at the Banquet in Ocean City and all moneys derived from this auction will go toward the "MD-DE-DC Home Project". So if you have any great items that you would like to donate to this Auction, bring them to any Association meeting or bring them to the Conference and give them to Larry Dean or myself and we will make sure that they make the Auction.

5000 Club Fraternal Fundraiser

Chances were given out at our Annual Convention held in Hunt Valley, MD in August. Sold chances are coming in very slow. The first drawing will be November 20, 2011 at the Cambridge Lodge on the Eastern Shore. Reminder you receive the two FREE chances you must sell your 10 chances by this first drawing date.

Total drawings will be 18, 3 drawings (at 4 Association meetings) 1@ \$400.00, 1@ \$200.00 and 1@ \$100.00 at various Lodges during 2011/2012 year. There will be 3 drawings at the Mid-Year Conference and Annual Convention, 1@ \$700.00, 1@ \$200.00, and 1@ \$100.00. That's 18 drawings for the cost of \$10.00 and were giving away \$5,000.00. What a Deal !!

Please encourage your Lodge, Chapter, District, Moose Legion Committee, Fellowship Committee etc. to participate and purchase at least 10 chances and receive two FREE as long as you do it prior to the First Drawing. Good Luck !



Fraternaly yours,
Danny Williams, Sr.
Int. Moose Legion Councilman



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- 1 entry in slot tournament – extra entries may be purchased with registration for \$20.00
- 1 seminar shirt – extra shirts can be purchased with registration for \$30.00
- All materials for seminar

Seminar will be comprised of 4 sessions:

SESSION 1:

- Friday, January 6 – 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- **Changing** our General Laws to Fit the Needs of our Lodges in 2012 and Beyond – General Governor Steve Greene & Director General William B. Airey

SESSION 2:

- Friday, January 6 – 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM
- **Changing** Our Approach to Membership Retention – Darrell O'Brien, Director of Lodge Operations

SESSION 3:

- Saturday, January 7 – 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- **Changing** our Method of Producing New Members – Shawn Baile, Director of Membership

SESSION 4:

- Saturday, January 7 – 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM
- **Changing** our Relationship with the Community – Director General William B. Airey

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Youth Awareness with Ernie Megee

Again, this year's Moose Youth Awareness Student Congress was a huge success. The attendance and participation was higher this year than in years past. Seventeen students representing ten Moose Family Centers in our Association attended, as well as eleven Association Officers and twelve sponsoring adults. Our Association's Student Congress was hosted again by the Elkton Moose Family Center #851. The officers and membership of both the Lodge and Chapter worked very hard to make this Student Congress the success that it was. The food, entertainment, and guest speakers were excellent.

Our Student Congress began Friday evening, September 30th with registration at the Comfort Suites. At approximately 6 pm the students were transported to the Lodge for the Get Acquainted and Ice Breaker Party. We had freshly made pizzas, fries, vegetables, drinks and other snacks while a DJ played some of today's popular music. After eating, the students mingled, got to know each other, and danced which caused the shyness to vanish. At approximately 9 pm all of the students were transported back to the hotel for a supposedly good night's rest!



On Saturday morning, October 1st, our students were transported back to the Lodge for a scrumptious breakfast that was prepared by the Lodge and Chapter. After eating, the students began registering the main event that began at 9 am. We had two excellent speakers. Detective Supervisor Angel Valle of the Cecil County Sheriff's Office spoke of the dangers of the internet. In one of his examples he explained how an innocent photo taken by a cell phone can be duplicated, altered, and used all around the world. He gave examples of how these photos have come back to haunt people when applying for employment in later years. Detective Valle showed slide and video presentations which explained the type of people who prey on our younger children by preying upon their emotions by convincing them that they are their only and best friend. He also explained the dangers of sexting, how it can ruin lives and be used for bullying.

Our second guest speaker was Marie Allen from the Erin Allen Memorial Fund, Inc. - Heroin Alert. She presented a very graphic slide and video presentation wherein she explained what heroin is, the dangers of it, the signs of using it, and the end result. She pointed out



that when someone uses heroin they receive three free gifts in life: a toe tag, a body bag that comes in "one size fits all", and a free plot in the cemetery to receive their friends and family in a peaceful and quiet setting; only they will not be able to converse with them. For emphasis, she brought a toe tag that was passed around the students, a body bag that she placed on the floor in front of the students, and had a slide presentation on the grave site. Mrs. Allen briefly spoke of the turmoil that she went through with her daughter Erin. Erin was a student in the Elkton area until she dropped out of school. She was a very gifted student and wanted to become a forensic pathologist. Along the way she began to stray. First, it was alcohol, then marijuana, and finally heroin to which she eventually lost her life in an apparent overdose. The video and slide presentation were very graphic of her daughter depicting the ups and downs, the frequent but sometimes two or three trips a day to the very dangerous Kensington section of Philadelphia to obtain the ninety plus percent pure heroin, the theft and the sale for \$250.00 of the family automobile so that she could obtain a "fix", and the disappearance of personal and family items used to support her habit. Erin was hospitalized for a heart attack in her early teens, went to prison, entered the Crest program and became clean for eighteen months. She slipped again when she went to a local clinic for her required blood test. She telephoned her mother, very distraught, and advised that she was under considerable distress because when the nurse used the needle to draw blood from her arm, it triggered her cravings. Her counselor from the Crest program went to Erin's place of employment and ascertained that she had calmed down and appeared to be alright. However, when Erin left work she did not return to Crest at the end of her workday. She was found dead in Philadelphia as the result of a heroin overdose. At the end of Mrs. Allen's presentation she advised that she authored a book on Erin's life titled Dope Help. Each student in attendance were given a copy of this book as a gift from our Association.

Deputy Barbara Sue Cornell

I would like to thank everyone for all their good wishes and support. You all have offered to help me in many ways.

I want to let you know how honored and proud I am to be given the appointment of Deputy Grand Regent for the MD-DE-DC Moose Association. I will do the very best job that I can and will need a lot of help. One thing about the Moose, when you join it, it becomes your family. I look forward to working with the State Association officers and chairmen so we can have a very successful year.



Our membership is very important for our Moose Family Fraternity to keep growing, let us work very hard to (CSI) create some interest and get some of the delinquent members back. Keep signing up new members, make sure we are very friendly and welcome them when they come to the Chapter.

My favorite of all the WOTM is our seniors at Moosehaven, our children at Mooseheart and Moose Charities.

Please call if I can be of any help to your Chapter and if you are having special functions, please keep me advised.

I hope to visit as many chapters as possible this year to renew old friendships and make new friends.



Happy Thanksgiving to all!

“Friendship is God’s most precious gift.”

Fraternally,
Barbara Sue Cornell
Deputy Grand Regent
2011-2012



Youth Awareness (continued)

The students were very attentive, several questions were asked, the interaction was tremendous, and most of the students took notes from our guest speakers. In fact several students advised that they were very much impressed with the program as they originally came



with the thought of not getting much out of the program. Hopefully the messages that they received from our excellent speakers will help them with their Kids Talk presentations. It is our mission with this program that if we can reach at least one four to nine year old child through the Kids Talk presentations, our mission for the entire program has been achieved.

In closing, I want to again thank those who participated and helped with our Association's Moose Youth

Awareness program. We have not completed the planning for our 26th Youth Awareness program. Details will be forthcoming during our Mid-Winter Conference. Please be reminded that this is an ongoing program and that your Lodge and Chapter should be making plans on obtaining students for the 2012-2013 fiscal year's program.

Remember - 100 years from now it will not matter how much money you made or what type of house you lived in or what kind of car you drove. What will matter the most is that you made a difference in the life of a child!

Fraternally,
Ernie Megee

Marie Allen, from Erin Allen Memorial Fund, and Detective Supervisor Angel Valle, from the Cecil County Sheriff's Office, were the speakers at the Youth Awareness Program.



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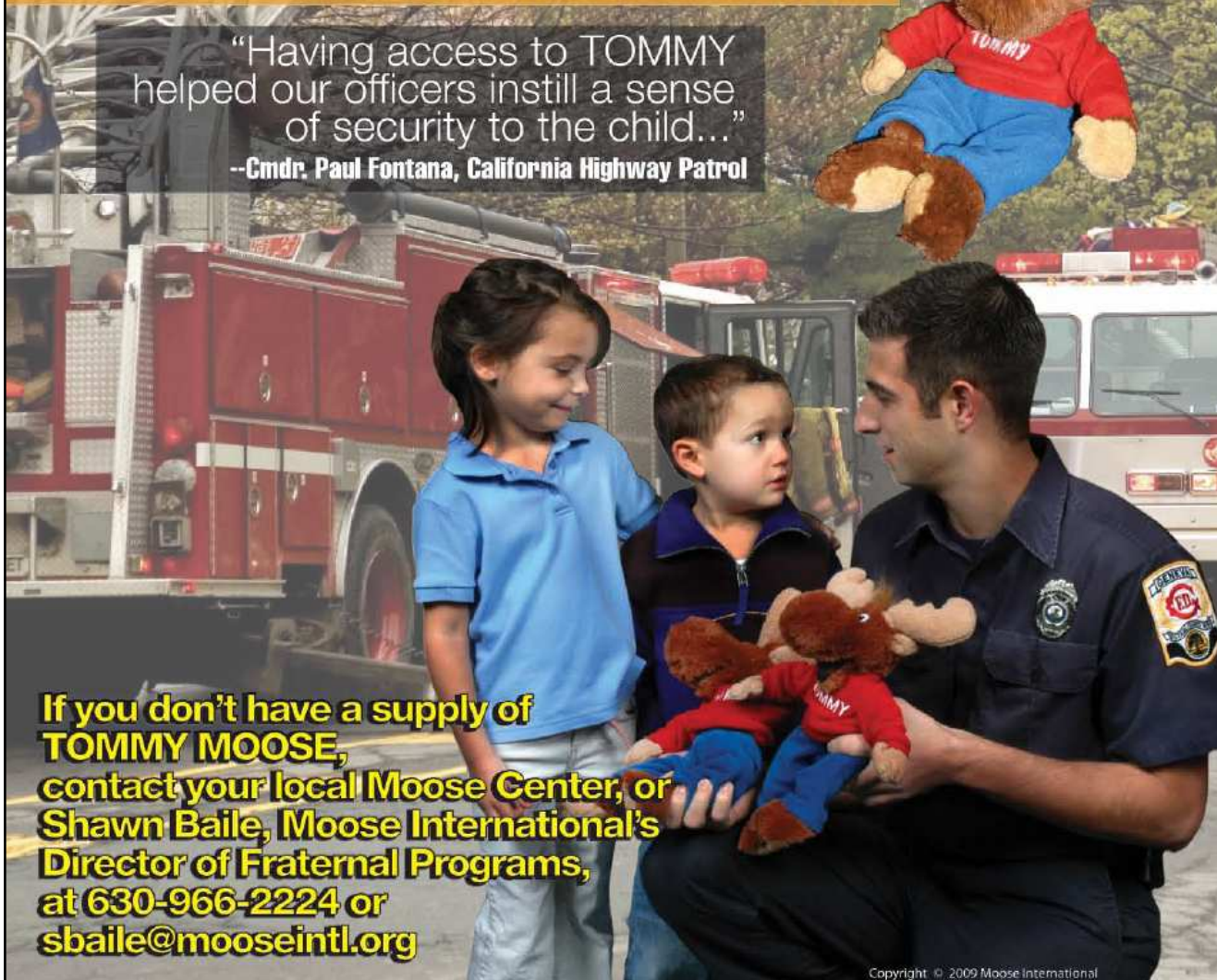
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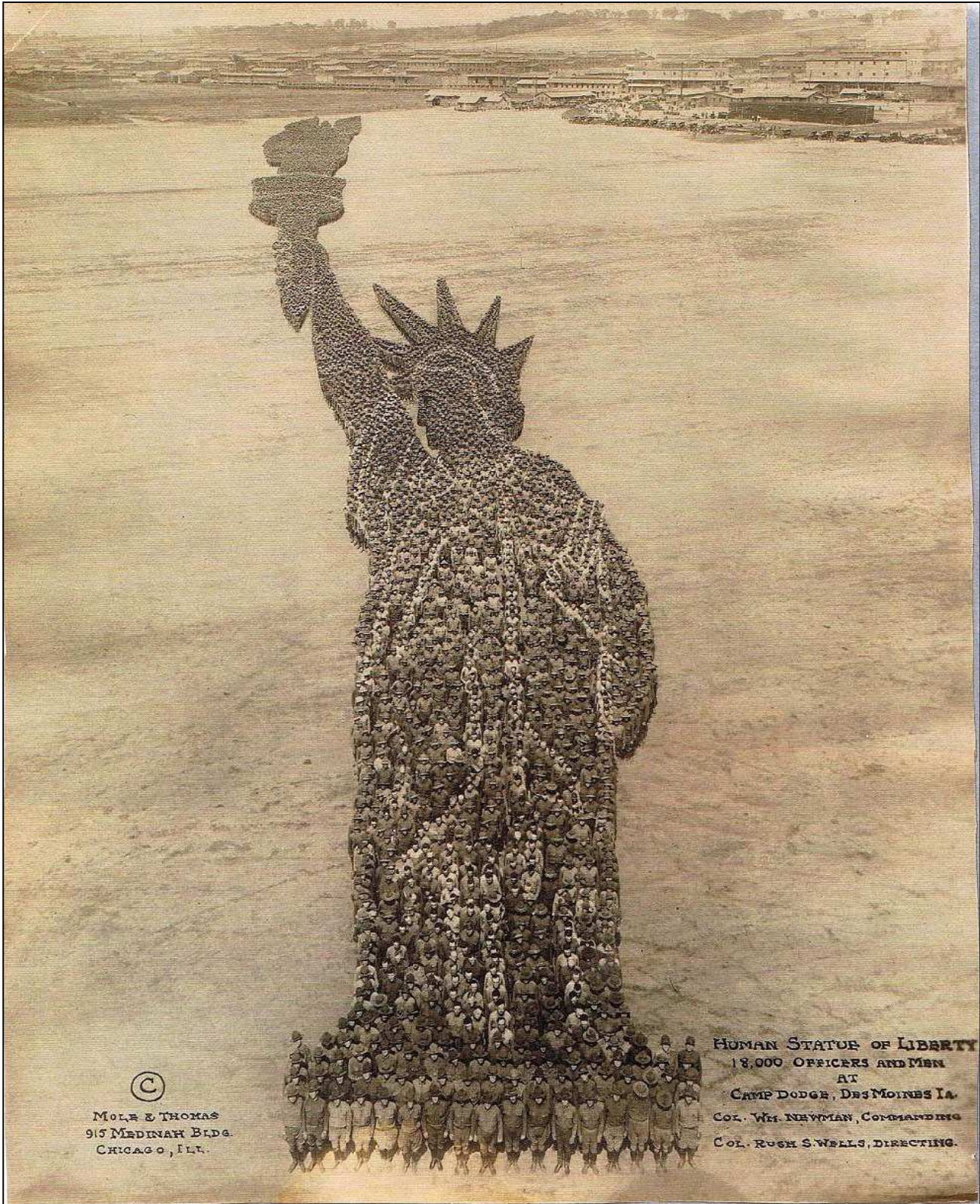


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I've learned... That we should be glad God doesn't give us everything we ask for.



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