

Sign 2 members a year - Never Pay Dues Again!!



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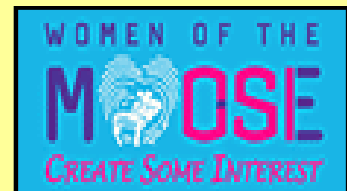
**Sponsor 1 a month between
9/1/11 to 8/31/12
possibly win a free trip
to Milwaukee in 2013
See page 4 for details**

MISSION THREE

**Re-Enroll 4 former
members by 1/31/12
See page 4 for details**

\$0 Application Fee

**1/1/12 to 4/30/12
Sign up new members and
re-enrollees for dues only!!!
See page 5 for details**



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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 -

As we are in the first month of the New Year, I would like to take time to thank each and every one of you for all the services you have volunteered to our Lodges, the Districts, the Fraternity and to me. It would seem at times that we have overwhelming tasks and challenges before us; but if we just take them one at a time, working together, we can manage and we will get the job done.

For the past few years we have been faced with obstacles that we did not have control over. The two biggest factors are our nations economy and the loss of jobs for many of our members. Also during this time, we have seen a very sharp decline in the active membership of our Lodges. But we are not alone! This decline is taking place in all of the lodges across our nation, and that affects our fraternity's overall membership. We have seen sharp increases in our grocery bills, our utility bills and the price at the pump. And, this at a time when many have lost their income, or it has been reduced substantially. Again, we are not alone.

The next question is, "What can we as Moose members do to continually support our Lodges, our fraternity and ourselves in this economy?"

If you are having a hard time paying your dues, just sponsor two members and your next year's dues are free. And remember that now through the end of April, Moose International has waived the \$20 application fee. That's a savings right there for those new members. But, if you really want to be creative, encourage that new prospective member to pay two years dues at one time. (He's already saved \$20.00 of that) When he does that, your Lodge will pay the third year for him.

What does this achieve? First of all it guarantees he will be on the active membership rolls for three years. It also allows you more time to get him active in the Lodge, participating in activities and perhaps even becoming an officer someday. Hopefully, you told him all about the good things we do in our communities, our Mooseheart Campus that provides home and shelter to children in need, our superior educational benefits to kids and our championship Red Rambler Football Team. Perhaps he was interested to learn about Moosehaven that provides secure, worry-free living on our campus in Florida. Wherever his interest is peaked, go into more depth in your conversation.

Once you have those new members, make it your personal responsibility to encourage him to visit the lodge and to bring his family in. Take time to sit with him/family and demonstrate some of the finer things we offer in our lodges. If your lodge sign outside indicates that it is a family center, then by all means it should be just that. Granted, all lodges have the 'bar area' but don't let that be the focus. I haven't seen a lodge yet that has a kitchen facility that does not offer some outstanding food specials at reasonable prices.

We do not need to let the economy dictate how we sign new members. Let the economy strengthen our resolve to share our fraternal endeavors with others. We can make this year better than last if we only utilize the energy to complain into energy to campaign.

Fraternally,

JIM

We need CARING STEADFAST INDIVIDUALS

Who are COMMITTED, SERIOUS and INVOLVED in

CREATING SOME INTEREST

Current Campaigns

MD-DE-DC MOOSE ASSOCIATION

GO "12 FOR 12"

...and be our GUEST to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Mooseheart at the 2013 International Moose Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin

MAY 24 - 29

Milwaukee
INTERNATIONAL MOOSE CONVENTION

2013 MOOSEHEART 100

SEPT. 1, 2011 - AUG. 31, 2012

Sponsor one new Loyal Order of Moose member each month from Sept. 1, 2011 through Aug. 31, 2012 (that's 12 new members!) and you'll be entered into a drawing for travel and accommodations for two for the 2013 International Moose Convention.

The quality of member votes appears in the application each month for 12 consecutive months, beginning September 1, 2011. One application submitted in the system will be considered each month for 12 consecutive months. This ends the last day of the respective month. Each qualifying application is one in number and expires by 11:59 PM Central Time on August 1, 2012. Top 4 and 10 available member list to attend the 2013 International Moose Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

MOOSE

CREATE SOME INTEREST

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.*

OO SAVE 'EM

Gift Certificate **MOOSE**
CREATE SOME INTEREST

\$4 OFF YOUR PURCHASE

*Single vouchers are good only toward purchases in the amount of \$10.00 or more, and multiple vouchers are not to exceed the total price of items purchased. Customer is responsible for all applicable taxes and shipping charges. Vouchers are not redeemable for cash, toward membership fees, or toward purchases in individual Lodges. No cash refunds or partial credit will be issued. Good only toward purchases through Moose International Catalog Sales. Redemption offer expires at the close of the 2012 International Moose Convention in Tampa, Florida.

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



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C S I - Sign New Members NOW!!

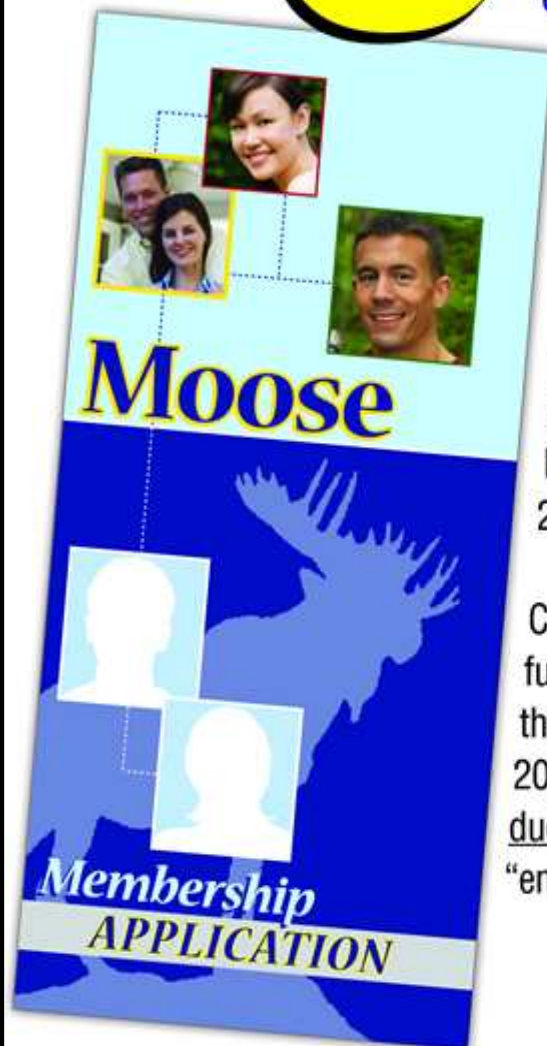
Beginning January 1, for four months,

Moose International waives ALL revenue

from ALL Membership Applications!

\$0 Application Fee!

JANUARY 1 - APRIL 30, 2012



That's right! Lodge, Chapter & Moose Legion applicants pay . . .

\$0 Application Fee!

No application fee required for ANY membership application transmitted to Moose International between 12:01 a.m.(CT) Sunday, January 1, 2012 and 10 p.m.(CT) Monday, April 30, 2012.

Completed applications must be remitted with full first-year dues. Remember—members that sponsor two applications between May 1, 2011 and April 30, 2012 will receive a free year's dues, provided these applicants are reported as "enrolled" by 10 p.m. (CT) Monday, April 30, 2012.



Community Service

Moose Lodge delivering boxes of food to needy families

December 17, 2011 | By ANDREW SCHOTZ | andrews@herald-mail.com



By Joe Crocetta/Staff Photographer

WILLIAMSPORT, Md. — The boxes that Moose Lodge volunteers packed with food on Saturday will get the final touches — turkeys and hams — before they're delivered to needy families on Sunday.

Clint Rawlings, governor of Williamsport Moose Lodge 2462, said 25 families will each get two boxes of food.

The boxes contain a variety of items, including tomato sauce, bread, noodles, tea bags, popcorn and cereal.

Rawlings said about 30 volunteers helped sort and pack food items on Saturday afternoon at the Moose Lodge.

When frozen turkeys and hams are added on Sunday, volunteers will deliver the boxes.

Rawlings said the lodge has been doing the food-box donations for four years.

"We just saw a need in the area, with the economy the way it's going," he said.

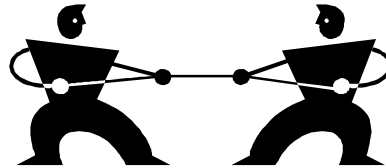
Many families have little money left for groceries after making their rent or mortgage payments, he said.

The lodge spent more than \$1,900 on dry food items, plus the turkeys and hams.

Community Service



Transplant Games Participant Mike Butler presented Williamsport Governor Clint Rawlings a plaque to thank the Lodge for sponsoring him in the past year's games in Sweden.



Williamsport High School Basketball Varsity and JV coaches posed with seniors when the Lodge donated warm-ups to the team.



The Varsity and JV teams posed wearing their new warm-ups donated by Williamsport Moose Lodge #2462. Great job guys and gals!!



Washington County Deputy Sheriff Carl Witmer accepted a donation from Administrator Russ Robinson and officers of the Lodge and Chapter for his "Shop with a Cop" Program for local families in the Williamsport area. The Lodge and Chapter joined together to donate \$500 to the program. From the left is Vicki Robinson, Russ Robinson, Deputy Sheriff Carl Witmer, Senior Regent Melissa Weaver and John Dennison. Congratulations to Williamsport Lodge and Chapter for being a part of their community and helping others.

Community Service



Here are some of the people from New Castle Lodge & Chapter who ring the bells for the Salvation Army every year.



Chairmen - Don Shelnutt & Bill Hollandsworth.



New Castle Moose Trustee Ron Martin and his helper, Miriam Rieg, visited Nurses-N-Kids in New Castle to give out gifts to the children. The staff posed with them after Santa helped a little boy open his gift. One of the nurses helped, too.



Community Service & Achievements



New Castle Chapter #1418 collected toys for the Marines at Christmas time. The Lodge and Chapter members accumulated 3 boxes full of toys for youngsters who might not have had anything for Christmas. The officer came to the 'Snow Dance' where he encountered the 3 characters above. He advised SR Rita Skinner that he would come back in a few days with a bigger vehicle to load the toys. Past Governor Tom Rieg posed with Rita and the Marine officer.



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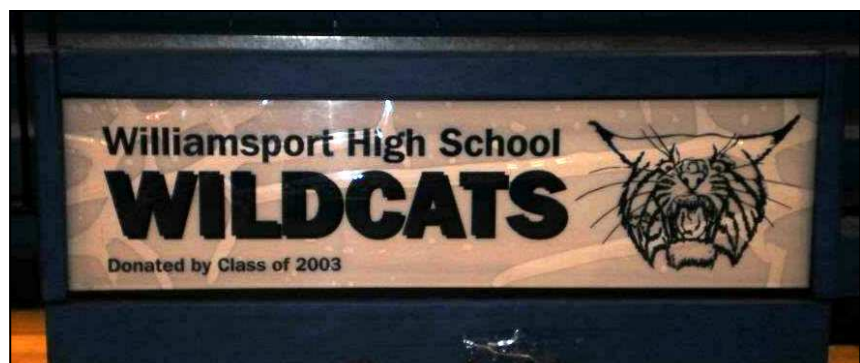


Williamsport Governor Clint Rawlings presented the Arrowhead Award to Mike Mills.



Past Supreme Governor Ron Sweetman presented the Shining Star award to

Williamsport High School gave the Williamsport Moose Lodge a banner showing their gratitude for all the Lodge does for the girls' sports teams.



Happenings around Our Association

Westminster Chapter #897's Gem

Westminster Chapter recently celebrated an amazing Chapter member. Kathleen V. Fries celebrated her 100th birthday on November 18, 2011. She joined the Chapter in 2009 and has been there for events and projects when she can. She certainly doesn't look 100 years old, but that's because she's a jazzy dresser, has a great attitude toward everyone and even dances a little these days. Let's join Westminster Chapter is wishing Kathleen a happy, happy birthday and we hope she will see many more.



At Westminster's Children's Christmas Party this little girl said to Santa: 'Hi, Santa!' Santa replied, 'Have you been a good girl?'

She said, 'Yes! Santa, you don't have a hat!'

Santa said, 'I lost it.'

She said, 'Santa, you want mine?'



Christmas at the Cumberland Lodge was festive with an adult party and Children's party. Looks like everyone had a good time dancing and posing with Santa Claus. Below the Women of the Moose officers and Loyal Order of Moose officers got their picture taken with Santa.



Give the Gift of Life - Donate Blood!!



**Cold Hands,
Warm Hearts.**

Donate Blood.



It may be chilly outside, but when you donate blood, you help to warm someone's heart. We invite you to brave the cold this season and join us at the blood drive below:

**Indian Head Moose Lodge #1712 - BLOOD DRIVE SCHEDULED:
Thursday, January 24, 2012 2:00 to 8:00 PM
11 Town Street, Indian Head, MD 301-743-7555**

Please call 800-RedCross to schedule
your life-saving donation!

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For more information, or to schedule an appointment to donate,
please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org

Message from Floyd Johnson, Chairman

The Red Cross is in need of blood donations and the only active Lodge I know of in the Association holding blood drives, is College Park. If other Lodges are sponsoring blood drives, I have not been informed. This is a poor showing for all the Lodges in our Association. Please call me at 301-599-8727, or email me at cillflooy@hotmail.com, if you have scheduled a blood drive in your area. Remember our wounded Servicemen and women.

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.

A "Moose Story" by Bessie Staab-Hickman

So many times our lodges and chapters assist someone and many times never hear back from the person nor are they kept up-to-date with progress. Many times your assistance can be a life changing event, and you never know the outcome.

Here's one for you.

Three summers ago, a young lady in our community, who attends Cab Calloway School of the Arts, auditioned for a program. She was accepted but scholarship money was not available at that time. In her words "my family isn't poor but they are not rich either, to send me would have put a strain on our finances." Newark Lodge came up with the money to send her to this program. She must have excelled as she was invited to participate without audition last summer. This time some lodge members who had kept track of her (who wish to remain unknown) came up with the monies to assist her in her quest. This year she was invited back for an even harder audition and this time she received a fully paid scholarship for this program. According to the director of this program, "auditions are given all over the United States, roughly 5,000 are auditioned and interviewed. These are cut to 500 and, from that group, 50 are chosen to attend "The Rockettes Summer Intensive Program". Out of those 50, four received scholarships and from that grouping up to 4 are chosen to return as teachers assistants for the coming year. This year only two were chosen. This young lady was one of them. She has sent several letters of thanks to our lodge and to those who "Believed in me enough to help me realize my dream". She gives freely of her time and talent to entertain those who are in assisted living and nursing homes, other community events and fund raisers. She received an award for her community service and most hours donated in her school. Award was presented by Governor Markell. So maybe you don't always know the outcome, this time you do. She has potential employment in her field of choice thanks to a an association who believes in assisting the development our youth and to generous members who wanted to assist a young lady to "make a dream come true". You have, that's what Moose Folks Do. Once again from a family who appreciates all your efforts - Thanks again. *Bess*



Let's Say Thanks!!!!



Send a postcard to one of our members of the US military by logging onto



letssaythanks.com



this is sponsored by the Xerox Company.

There are over 80 postcards made by school children across our country. Choose one and have it sent today to tell our soldiers that we remember them and hope they are home soon. It only takes a few minutes to send someone a note from home!!



Help our military personnel and veterans communicate with their families and loved ones by providing them with free phone cards. Support *Operation Uplink*. or

Write your check to:

"Dept. of DE VFW" or "Dept. of MD VFW" and earmark for "Operation Uplink". Thanks!!!

Mail your donations to:

Delaware VFW Quartermaster Jesse Kitson
167 Carnation Drive
Magnolia, DE 19972

Operations Uplink Chairman Carl F. Voigt
895 Leesburg Court
Huntingtown, MD 20639

All State Moose Legion Celebration



May 4 & 5, 2012
at Williamsport Moose Lodge #2462



Friday, May 4, 2012:

150 Bonanza - \$10 per ticket

Doors open at 5 PM

Meal served 6:00-7:30 PM - hamburgers, hot dogs, beans, and fries
(presentations to take place at this time)

Drawing starts at 7:00 PM - every 10th tickets is worth \$10

Last ticket drawn is worth \$800 - split or go all the way
(decided by final 5 ticket holders)

#1 ticket to be raffled off: #1 ticket guaranteed to be in the final 5

DJ and Karaoke by **Soaring Eagle**

Saturday, May 5, 2012:

Breakfast 7:00 - 9:00 AM

Registration and payment for class will begin at 7:00 AM. Cost \$25 per person

MLEC Training 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Those not taking the class may visit the C&O Canal Museum,
walk the C&O Canal & visit area shops

Lunch 12:00 - 1:00 PM

MLEC Training continues 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Conferral 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Dinner & Comedy Show, doors open at 5:00 PM

\$25 per person

Dinner served 6:00 - 7:00 PM - Ham, red potatoes & green beans
(presentations to take place at this time)

Comedians 8:00 - 10:30 PM

David Kaye of Comedy Central & Miss Gayle of Comicview

DJ Soaring Eagle to follow

Tickets for both events may be purchased at Association meetings. You may also reserve tickets by calling Clint Rawlings at 240-527-8075 with a Visa or MasterCard for payment

**Accommodations available at Red Roof Inn at 310 East Potomac St., Williamsport, MD
Call 1-800-733-7663 for reservations**

MD-DC-DE Moose Legion Ambassadors & their Territory

Bruce Dewey - 302-270-0109

A. Lee Poole #111 - President Ralph Shockley

Chesapeake #183 - President David Taylor ⚡ Blue Hen #186 - President Larry Clark

Charles Neal, III - 410-598-3955

Baltimore #10 - President Robert Lindsay ⚡ Capitol #155 - President John Bayer

Western MD #218 - President Clint Rawlings

International Sports Events

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE & WOMEN OF THE MOOSE INTERNATIONAL SPORTS TOURNAMENTS

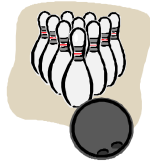
2012

BOWLING

March 13 - May 20, 2012
on weekends

No bowling April 7&8, April 14&15
and May 12&13

Hosted by:
Springfield OH Lodge #536



DARTS

Men & Women Steel Darts
April 20 - 22, 2012
Barberton OH
Lodge #759



POOL

Men & Women
June 20 - 23, 2012
Massillon OH
Lodge #481



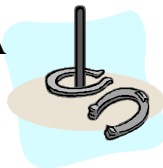
COED SOFTBALL

Coed Teams
July 13 - 15, 2012
Muncie IL
Lodge #33



HORSESHOES

July 20 - 22, 2012
Lynchburg South, VA
Lodge #1727



MEN & WOMEN GOLF SCRAMBLE

August 3 - 5, 2012
Murfreesboro TN
Lodge #545



Visit the Moose International
website at:



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

2012 Mid-Year Conference Official Visitors

Men's Official Visitor John R. Sipes

In May of 2011, John Sipes was appointed to Association Secretary since 1993. He has been the Moosehaven Board of Directors. Prior to that an active Ritualist a long time and was state time, he was on the Mooseheart Board of Directors from July of 2010 to May of 2011, the Moose champion three times finishing as high as 3rd Charities Board of Directors from 2006 until Place in International Competition. He is a member of the 150 Division of the Moose 25 Club, received the Fellowship Degree of Honor in 1986 and the Pilgrim Degree of Merit in 1991.

John joined the Moose in 1981 as a member of the Galion, Ohio Lodge #303. He has served as Governor, Past Administrator, Community Service Chairman and is currently serving as Membership Chairman. John holds joint memberships at Indian Lake, Ohio Lodge #1533 since 2004 and Wapakoneta, Ohio Lodge #2654 since 2007. He is a Life Member of the Central Ohio Moose Legion #63 and is a Past Herder of the Moose Legion.



John is president of Galion Medical Supplies and has a business degree from Ohio State University. He is also a member of the Elks, Eagles and "Design Review Board: for the city of Galion, OH.

Away from his professional and Moose activities, John enjoys boating, camping and golfing. He and his wife, Linda, live in Galion and they have three children and five grandchildren.

John is a Past President of the Ohio State Moose Association and currently serves as the We welcome John to our Association for a fun -filled and informative weekend.

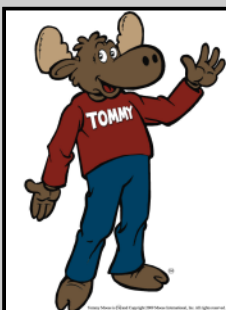
Women's Official Visitor Verna M. Miller

Verna Miller has served as a member of the Mooseheart Board of Directors since her appointment in July, 2007 at the 119th International Convention in Orlando.

She joined Maywood, CA Chapter #658 of the Women of the Moose in 1966. In 1995 the Maywood Chapter merged with Downey Chapter #902. In 2001, Verna transferred to Lake Havasu City, AZ Chapter #1608 and has served her Chapter in many capacities. Her Academy of Friendship Degree was earned in 19968, College of Regents Degree in 1976 and Star Recorder Degree in 1985. She is a member of the Moose 25 Club in the 50 Division.

Verna served as Deputy Grand Regent in 2004-2005 for Arizona/New Mexico and is currently a Chapter Analyst Coordinator for Arizona/New Mexico.

Verna and her husband, Ed, reside in Lake Havasu City, AZ and they have one grown daughter.



**Let's greet our Official Visitors
and show them
a big MD-DE-DC Moose Association
W E L C O M E !!**

Mid-Year Conference LOOM Agenda - page 1

2012 MD-DE DC Mid-Year Conference

February 16-19, 2012

Clarion Resort Fontainebleau Hotel, Ocean City, MD 21842

Thursday - February 16, 2012

Thursday Night

3:00 PM - 7:00 PM - Registration

Moose Legion Appreciation Night

A night to review the past year accomplishments and honor a few deserving

Moose Legionnaires

(Regalia is the Requested Dress)

Doors open - 6 PM

Dinner - 6:30 PM

Presentation & Awards - 7 PM

Friday - February 17, 2012

Session 1

10:00 AM

Call to Order.....	President Billy Alderson
Opening Prayer.....	Prelate Bryan Shepherd
Pledge of Allegiance.....	President Billy Alderson
Roll Call of State Officers & Chairmen.....	Secretary Jim Bolling
Roll Call of Lodges.....	District Presidents
Opening Credentials Report.....	Jim Hickman
Introduction of LOOM OV.....	President Billy Alderson
Info from State Secretary.....	Secretary Jim Bolling
Presidents Presentation.....	Billy Alderson
Numbers from Treasurer.....	Treasurer Tom Niblett
Duties of Higher Degree Committee.....	Don Shelnett
R. Robert dale Scholarship Program.....	John Krass
Training Updates.....	Bryan Shepherd
Building the Endowment Fund.....	J.J. Johnston
What is Moose Community Service.....	Bill Trice
Announcements & Session Drawings.....	Jim Bolling
Endowment Fund Collection at the door	

Governors & Administrators Luncheon

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Session 2

Starts at 2:00 PM

Lodge Safety Inspection	
Hall Rental Insurance.....	Tim McElwain
Youth Awareness Dates.....	Ernie Megee
Premier Lodge/5 Star Awards	
Rookie/Moose of the Year Apps.....	John Cihak
Nomination Committee/Lodge Elections.....	Len Sprinkle
Benefits of Moose Benefits.....	Clint Rawlings
Moose Sports Programs.....	Tom Bowman
Moose Charities Fund Raising.....	Danny Williams
State of the Association.....	Jim Hale, Regional Manager
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Friday Night - Enjoy an Evening of Fun & Fellowship

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2012 MD-DE DC Mid-Year Conference

February 16-19, 2012

Clarion Resort Fontainebleau Hotel, Ocean City, MD 21842

Saturday - February 18, 2012

Session 3

10:00 AM

Roll Call of Lodges.....District Presidents
Deputy Supreme Governor Presentation.....Don Shelnutt
Mooseheart/Moosehaven Presentation.....Jean Neal
Association Fund Raising Projects.....Ralph Shockley
Important of the TIPS Program.....Jim Bolling
Improving Communications.....Dona Hale
Association & International March of Checks
MD-DE-DC Home/Safe Surfin'/Special Olympics/Endowment Fund/Moose Charities
(These checks need to be made payable to Moose Charities)
Announcements & Session Drawings.....Jim Bolling
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Pilgrim Luncheon

(Regalia should be worn)

11:30AM - 1:00 PM

Session 4

Starts at 2:00 PM

A Properly Functioning Audit Committee.....Dave Greenaway
How to Change Lodge Dues, Rates/By-Laws.....Dave Greenaway
Moosehaven.....Ron Sweetman, Chairman
Regional Managers Presentation.....Jim Hale
Membership Production/Retention, Activities, Proper Orientation)
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Announcements & Sessions Drawings.....Jim Bolling
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Honoring Brothers & Co-Workers of our Association

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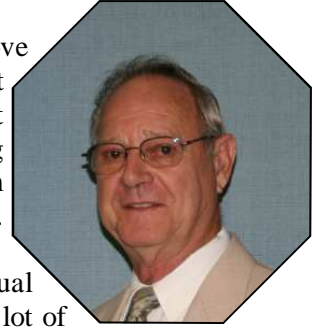
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THANKS!

Deputy Supreme Gov. Don Shelnutt

Dear Brothers and Co-Workers:

Now that 2011 has gone, we need to get to work in the new year, 2012, to improve our membership by signing new members. Moose International has given us a great incentive to sign up new members by eliminating the \$20 application fee for the rest of our Moose year, through April 30, 2012. Do you have any friends who are sitting on the fence about joining our Fraternity? This is a great opportunity to get them more interested in becoming a member. \$20 is a great amount to save these days. Give it a try!



My Lodge Governor, Bill Hollandsworth, and I traveled to Las Vegas for the annual Making Change Seminar in January. Our trip out was uneventful and we learned a lot of new ideas in the Seminar. However, there is always something that comes up and gives you a degree of unpleasantness in a trip this far away from home. We were ready to board our plane at the Vegas airport when we were advised that the plane was having some difficulties and we wouldn't be able to leave until 7:30 AM the next morning. Well - to say the least, Bill and I were staying another night in Las Vegas. It was really a great feeling to get off the ground the next morning, arrive safely at Philadelphia and get back to home, sweet home!!

From my house to your house, my wife, Virginia, and I wish you all a Happy and Prosperous 2012. Remember, to keep our Moose going, we need to sign new members and bring back some old ones, too!



Fraternally,
Don Shelnutt
Deputy Supreme Governor



John Lyons Scholarship Golf Tournament

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John Lyons Annual Golf Tournament

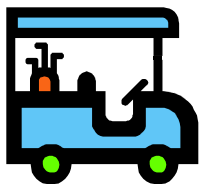
(to benefit the MD-DE-DC Moose Scholarship Fund)



will be held on
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Watch next Communicator for details!!

Moose Community Service at Work in District 7

The meeting of the 7th District, MD-DE-DC Moose Association held at Harrington Moose Family Center #534 on January 8th, 2012, featured the Color Guard from Dor-Wic Post 218, American Legion from Sharptown, Md.



The Colors were presented by the Color Guard to start the meeting.

A tribute to all Veterans was given after which the Color Guard was presented with several checks to enable them to continue their good work.

The Color Guard normally donates their time for their various programs and it was decided that the Moose should help them with their endeavors.

This is just one example of the many Community Service projects sponsored by The Loyal Order of Moose.



God Bless the USA & the Moose!



News from the District Presidents

District 1 - Robert Hall, President

I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year and to thank all those who made 2011 a great year. Hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. Let us all make a New Year's resolution to step up to help and support our Lodges. If no one comes up to you and asks you to help, walk up to one of the officers or chairmen of functions and ask what you can do. As you have heard in the past, "don't ask what the Moose Organization can do for you; ask what you can do for the Moose Organization".

With the Membership Application Fee being waived again this year there is no reason why we cannot get more members to join our lodges. Along with this, I suggest that you have an in house campaign such as \$10-\$15 dollars in Moose Bucks given to the sponsor of each new application. With both of these in place I guarantee your membership will improve.

It's hard to believe that 2011 has come and gone already. I hope everyone has a safe, prosperous and healthy 2012 and please remember, without your continued support Mooseheart and Moosehaven would not exist.

I am looking forward to seeing you at our Mid-Winter conference in Ocean City.

Fraternally, Robert Hall



District 2 - Russ Robinson, President

Brothers and Co-Workers,

Greetings and Salutations from Western Maryland, and Happy New Year!!!! As always, I hope that this reaches all of you in good health, and spirit.



A new year has begun, and fresh ideas are amongst us, and thoughts of life, and renewing old promises. Hopefully, with the program C.S. I. all of you are jumping on board. Moose International has renewed its popular plan of **No Application Fees till May**. On the local level I know my lodge has adopted the 3 for 2 plan, and even in this dismal economy people are JUMPING all over it!! The LOOM members pays 2 years, and the lodge in turn pays for his third. WOW, how easy is that and now you have a member on the books for three years!!!

Creating some interest in the 2nd district we have Moose Legion committees getting active in Cumberland and Williamsport, new entertainment the likes of Comedians, and Hypnotists. If you do not try something new, how do you know if it works? Hand in hand with the "If it is not broke...do not fix it" mentality. If your members like it - give it to them? If they ask for it, get their participation, and RUN with it!! With elections on the horizon, we need to Create Some Interest, and bolster strength in our ranks in LEADERSHIP.

See you in Ocean City!!!! Check out the Bananas in the Hospitality room????

Fraternally, Russ Robinson

District 3 - Wayne D. Kraft, President

Greetings from the Mighty Third!!

Wow! As we all grow older the Holidays seem to pass so much quicker. I hope that all had a very Merry Christmas and a safe and joyous New Year. Speaking of the New Year, did you include a Resolution to **Create Some Interest** in our Fraternal Organization?

Two upcoming events will help us out of the post-holiday doldrums. First, the Mid-Winter Conference in Ocean City, MD. Think about all those unfortunate people who have only Groundhog Day to celebrate. Moose members have the opportunity to enjoy the cool breezes off the Ocean and gain important information to take back to their respective Lodges and Chapters. I hope to see you there!

The second important event is the beginning of our election cycle for Lodge Officers. I strongly recommend that each Lodge start planning the schedule for Nominating Committee meetings and election dates. It is never too early to plan. Remember, if we fail to plan, we plan to fail.

Thanks again for all you do in support of our children at Mooseheart and our Seniors at Moosehaven.

Fraternally, Wayne Kraft



Membership Chairman Clint Rawlings

Brothers & Co-Workers,

Happy New Year! I hope this letter reaches you all well.

Did you hear about the campaign that has come back to pump up our membership numbers? For the remaining 4 months of this fiscal year the "\$0 APPLICATION FEE" has returned! That's right, you asked for Moose International to bring it back and the powers that be have heard your call. This campaign drive has been one of our most successful in past years and I know you will increase our numbers as we approach the final drive. I know you can do it and meet your goal for new members!



Let's not forget the current campaigns Moose International has already put in place to help us succeed; "Never Pay Dues Again", "Create Some Interest", and "Mission Three".

All of these posters are already hanging in your Lodge. Take the time to read them and promote them at all Lodge functions, in your newsletters, and on your social media and web page.

The Association is running a "12 for 12" campaign. Check with your administrators and verify that you have sponsored a new member each month since September. If you have then keep sponsoring one new member each month and you could win a trip to Milwaukee in 2013.

Every Lodge needs to have their own membership campaign. Those already running \$20.00 discounts on membership dues should have now problem bringing in new members with the \$0 APPLICATION FEE.

Moose International has already sent out letters to those in arrears and dropped. It is now time for you to call or visit them. Find out why they haven't renewed or why they have dropped. Tell them about the sense of community you get from being apart of something as great as the Moose. Tell them about the ways your Lodge has influenced the community through service. Remind them about our children and seniors and how much they rely on us. Most importantly, tell them about how you miss seeing them in the Lodge and the events that are coming up in the Lodge. Show them the pictures of those who went on the bus trip to Mooseheart and remind them of the fun we all have being a Moose.

For the final months of the fiscal year we need to stay strong. Bring in new members, members in arrears, and members who have dropped their membership.

I know you all can do it. We already have a strong fraternity. Let's Create Some Interest and help the Moose grow.

Your fellow Moose,

Clint Rawlings

Membership Chairman
MD-DE-DC Association





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

Lynn Hall #661
William C. Lowe #1211

50 Division

Faye Adams #661
Ken Bullen #1456

75 Division

James T. Beyer #1577



50 Years Member

William Bryce #1655



5 Club Sponsors

WOTM Sponsors of 5 or more members as of 1/31/2012

Denise Brown #1546
Sandra Rayne #1546

Phyllis Spiering #1546
Joni Gray #1814
Ruth McFall #2204

Ruth Pack #2204
Terry Rogers #2204

LOOM Sponsors of 5 or more members as of 1/31/2012

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Curtis Caker #0203
Randall Hart #2203
William Rayne #2203
Harry McGray #0534
Ron Sweetman #1578
Bruce Dewey #2316
Verlo Hocks #2316

Maryland

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Jimmie Cornell #0453
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Lawrence Amemann #0562
William Price #0654
Samuel Burkentine #0851
John Kitchen #851
Joseph Franco #1228

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Brad Lewis #2279
John Higgins #2431
Russ Robinson #2462

CONGRATULATIONS !!!

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

Remember - Sign 2 members a year and get a years dues!

In Memory

Vaughn M. Conrad
Member of Edgemere Lodge
Held the Pilgrim Degree of Merit



Edward T. Bowling
Member of Edgemere Lodge
Held the Pilgrim Degree of Merit

Jeanette Barrett
Past Deputy Grand Regent
Member of Dundalk Chapter
Held Academy of Friendship,
Star Recorder &
College of Regents Degrees



Sandy Hanson
Member of Marlboro Chapter
Held Academy of Friendship &
College of Regents Degrees

Till 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.

The Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord, Make me an instrument of your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow your love,
Where there is injury, pardon,
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope,
Where there is darkness, light,
Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled
as to console,
to be understood, as to understand,
to be loved, as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.



Meet Me in the Stairwell

You say you will never forget where you were when
you heard the news On September 11, 2001.
Neither will I.

I was on the 110th floor in a smoke filled room
with a man who called his wife to say 'Good-Bye.'
I held his fingers steady as he dialed. I gave him the
peace to say, 'Honey, I am not going to make it, but
it is OK..I am ready to go.'

I was with his wife when he called as she fed
breakfast to their children. I held her up as she
tried to understand his words and as she realized
he wasn't coming home that night.

I was in the stairwell of the 23rd floor when a
woman cried out to Me for help. 'I have been
knocking on the door of your heart for 50 years!' I said.
'Of course I will show you the way home - only
believe in Me now.'

I was at the base of the building with the Priest
ministering to the injured and devastated souls.
I took him home to tend to his Flock in Heaven.
He heard my voice and answered.

I was on all four of those planes, in every seat,
with every prayer. I was with the crew as they
were overtaken. I was in the very hearts of the
believers there, comforting and assuring them that
their faith has saved them.

I was in Texas, Virginia, California, Michigan,
Afghanistan standing next to you
when you heard the terrible news.
Did you sense Me?

I want you to know that I saw every face. I knew
every name - though not all knew Me. Some met Me
for the first time on the 86th floor.

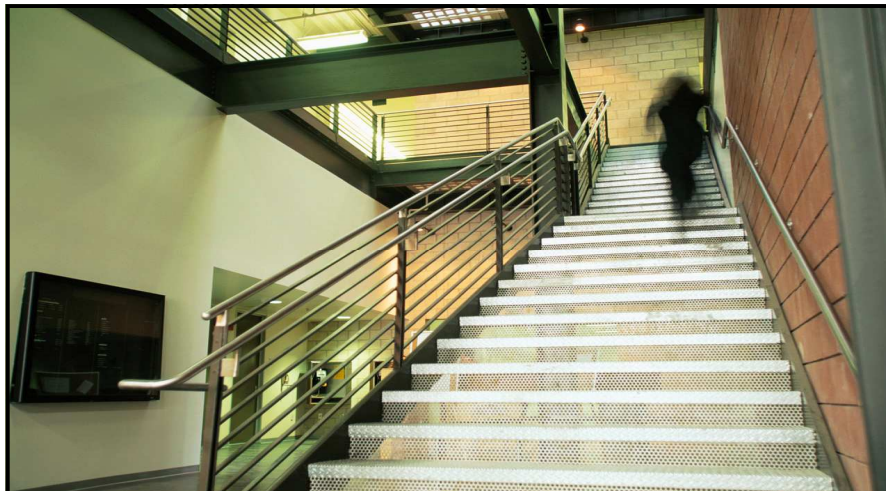
Some sought Me with their last breath.
Some couldn't hear Me calling to them through the
smoke and flames; 'Come to Me... this way... take
my hand.' Some chose, for the final time, to ignore Me.
But, I was there.

I did not place you in the Tower that day. You
may not know why, but I do. However, if you were
there in that explosive moment in time, would you have
reached for Me?

Sept. 11, 2001, was not the end of the journey
for you. But someday your journey will end.
And I will be there for you as well.
Seek Me now while I may be found.
Then, at any moment, you know you are 'ready to go.'

I will be in the stairwell of your final moments.

God



WOTM Members can order the Moose Magazine

Remember—All Moose (Men & Women) Can Get *Moose Magazine*!



Every man belonging to the Loyal Order of Moose automatically receives a subscription to *Moose Magazine*. The \$2 subscription price, paid as a portion of membership dues, roughly represents the true cost of editing, producing and mailing him the four annual issues of the Magazine.

And, for most of the nearly 500,000 members of the Women of the Moose who are married to (or live in the same household as) a male member, this also constitutes her issue of the magazine.

But what if you're one of the many Women of the Moose members who, for whatever reason, do not share a household with a male Moose member? You don't automatically receive a copy, because we do not burden our women's organization by removing the same \$2 subscription amount out of your lesser-amount dues.

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Travels with the Moose

Rose Parade Tour

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

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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

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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.

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MD-DE-DC Councils of Higher Degrees



Meeting Schedule

Black-Eyed Susans Council

April 21 - Reisterstown FC - 1 PM
July - Council holding BINGO BASH
at Annapolis - details to follow
In Nov. 2011, the Council donated \$75 to
the Wheaton MD Vo. Fire Dept.



DelMar Council

Meetings to be
Announced when
Scheduled



A Message from PDGR Phyllis Brainard



To all the members of the WOTM in MD-DE-DC:
Thank you for everything you did to help me and, most of all, our Fraternity.
God Bless -
Phyllis Brainard DGR 2010-2011

Food for Thought

There comes a point in your life when you realize:
Who matters, Who never did, Who won't anymore...
And who always will.
So, don't worry about people from your past,
there's a reason why they didn't make it to your future.



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A message from Jr. Past Grand Regent Libby

Hello Co-Workers,

First of all, I hope everyone had a great holiday and as we begin this year with cherished memories of our family and friends that we were able to spend time with, let's not forget what and who we are, and why we are members of this great Moose organization.

Gosh, here we are – just a few short weeks away from our Mid Year Conference in Ocean City, Maryland. For some of us perhaps this will be a time for learning new information and some great fundraising ideas from our Official Visitor Verna Miller. For others this will be a time for seeing our Moose friends that we haven't seen for awhile. As we think of the upcoming conference, let us remember to 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.

Some of us forget, but -- Again, where would they be without us – our love, our support and most importantly our donations!

Talking about donations –If you remember, in Hunt Valley in August we raised a total of \$1,962.00 for Moose Charities, earmarked for the GimmeFive program. Way to go Moose!

Once again, at this Mid Year Conference in Ocean City, approval has been received to hold our fundraisers for Moose Charities again. As always we will be doing the 50/50's; \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00; a jewelry raffle – again donated by Christa Mumford – and of course some homemade goodies donated by PDGR's and co-workers. There will be no expenses for any of the above and the total amount collected will be divided equally between GimmeFive and the maintenance & upkeep for our MD-DE-DC Home. So co-workers, AND brothers, please remember to bring MONEY!

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.



Some statistics: Out of all our members for **OUR** Regional Association, there were only 854 men and women that donated to the Gimme5, and their total was \$129,259.42, as of 12/31/2011. If you haven't already fulfilled your individual 5 year total donation of \$182.50, there is still time to do so. You can make donations at this conference or 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.

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 and tax deductible if made payable to "Moose Charities" earmarked MD-DE-DC Home. 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! Our membership still is not great in both lodges and chapters. 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, and the new 7G Recycling program.



Moose Legion Councilman Danny Williams



Moose Charities - "Gimme 5"

To date our MD DE DC Moose Association has 853 donors who have donated a total of \$128,664.42, which breaks down to \$150.83 per donor toward our 5 year commitment (Endowment Fund of the future) known as "Gimme five". We have just 6 months to complete our goal. So please if you haven't given your \$36.50 per year for 5 years, or a one time payment of \$182.50 for the 5 year commitment please do so now!

Moose Charities - "Cradle Fundraiser"

To celebrate "Founders Day" Moose Charities had a "Cradle Fundraiser" Special Endowment Fund collections nationwide at all Moose Lodges and wherever Moose are gathered for the month of November. Our goal was \$100,000.00 and I'm proud to announce that we collected over \$179,748.19 for this endeavor.

Thank You ! Thank You ! Thank You !

Report on Fraternal Fundraiser - "5000 Club"

To date we have had only one set of drawings and the chances are being sold very slowly. We need each and every Lodge, Chapter, District, Moose Legion and individual support in this endeavor. The more we earn the more we are able to support our MD DE DC home at Mooseheart. Chances were given out to our District Presidents at our convention held in Hunt Valley in August. So PLEASE participate and don't let these chances lay around.

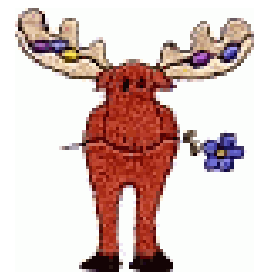
Thanks for all you do for the Loyal Order of Moose Fraternity.



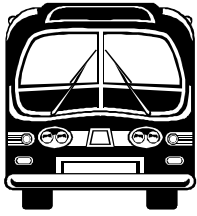
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Five Cents at Night, for Five Years.

Fraternally yours,
Danny Williams, Sr.

Int. Moose Legion Councilman
& Gimme five Co-Chairman



Travel to Tampa with Danny!!



124st Annual International Convention
Loyal Order of Moose
Tampa, Florida



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10 DAYS – 9 NIGHTS

JUNE 26 – JULY 5, 2012

\$920.00 per person (Dbl Occ)/ \$1,320.00 Per Person (Single Occ)

To Include *Overnight Lodging to and from Tampa *7 Nights at the Hyatt Regency (ML HQ) *2 Breakfast
*2Dinners *Baggage Handling *Transportation to and from Tampa *Snacks & Drinks on Motorcoach

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

\$100.00 Per person due immediately (Limited rooms & seats)

200.00 Per person due February 1, 2012

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Deputy Grand Regent Barbara Sue Cornell

Hello Co-Workers:

Here it is another year '2012', where did 2011 go? I hope everyone had a nice holiday and are ready to start working hard for our membership (CSI). I know that we harp on membership all the time, but we really need it in these times that we are having. Try to call or send a note to our delinquent co-workers and see if they wouldn't come back to your chapters. Try to think of ways within your chapters to bring people back within the folds of our organization, because our love and support is Mooseheart and Moosehaven, who all our work and dedication goes to.



It is the time of they year for us to start thinking about new officers, so make sure you have your nominating committee in place. I am sure you all are looking for dedicated co-workers to submit their names for an office in your chapters.

This is what the Women of the Moose means to me:

**Helping hands that touch your life with kindness...
Warm smiles that brighten up your day...
Open arms that are ready to offer you a hug...
Loving hearts that care and give so much.**



Fraternally,
Barbara Sue Cornell
Deputy Grand Regent
2011-2012



"I Heard It through the Grapevine!!!"



**A little bluebird flew my way
With some interesting news today -
To Nashville Jimmie & Barbara Sue did go
To celebrate a date from long ago.
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SHE PLANNED TO MARRY JOE.
SHE WAS SO HAPPY 'BOUT IT ALL,
SHE TOLD HER PAPPY SO.



SO SUSIE PUT ASIDE HER JOE
AND PLANNED TO MARRY WILL.
BUT AFTER TELLING PAPPY THIS,
HE, 'THERE'S TROUBLE STILL.'

PAPPY TOLD HER, SUSIE GAL,
YOU'LL HAVE TO FIND ANOTHER.
I'D JUST AS SOON YO' MA DON'T KNOW,
BUT JOE IS YO' HALF BROTHER.

YOU CAN'T MARRY WILL, MY GAL,
AND PLEASE DON'T TELL YO' MOTHER,
BUT WILL AND JOE, AND SEVERAL MO'
I KNOW IS YO' HALF BROTHER.

BUT MAMA KNEW AND SAID, MY CHILD, 'JUST DO WHAT MAKES YO' HAPPY.
MARRY WILL OR MARRY JOE, YOU AIN'T NO KIN TO PAPPY.'

**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
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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
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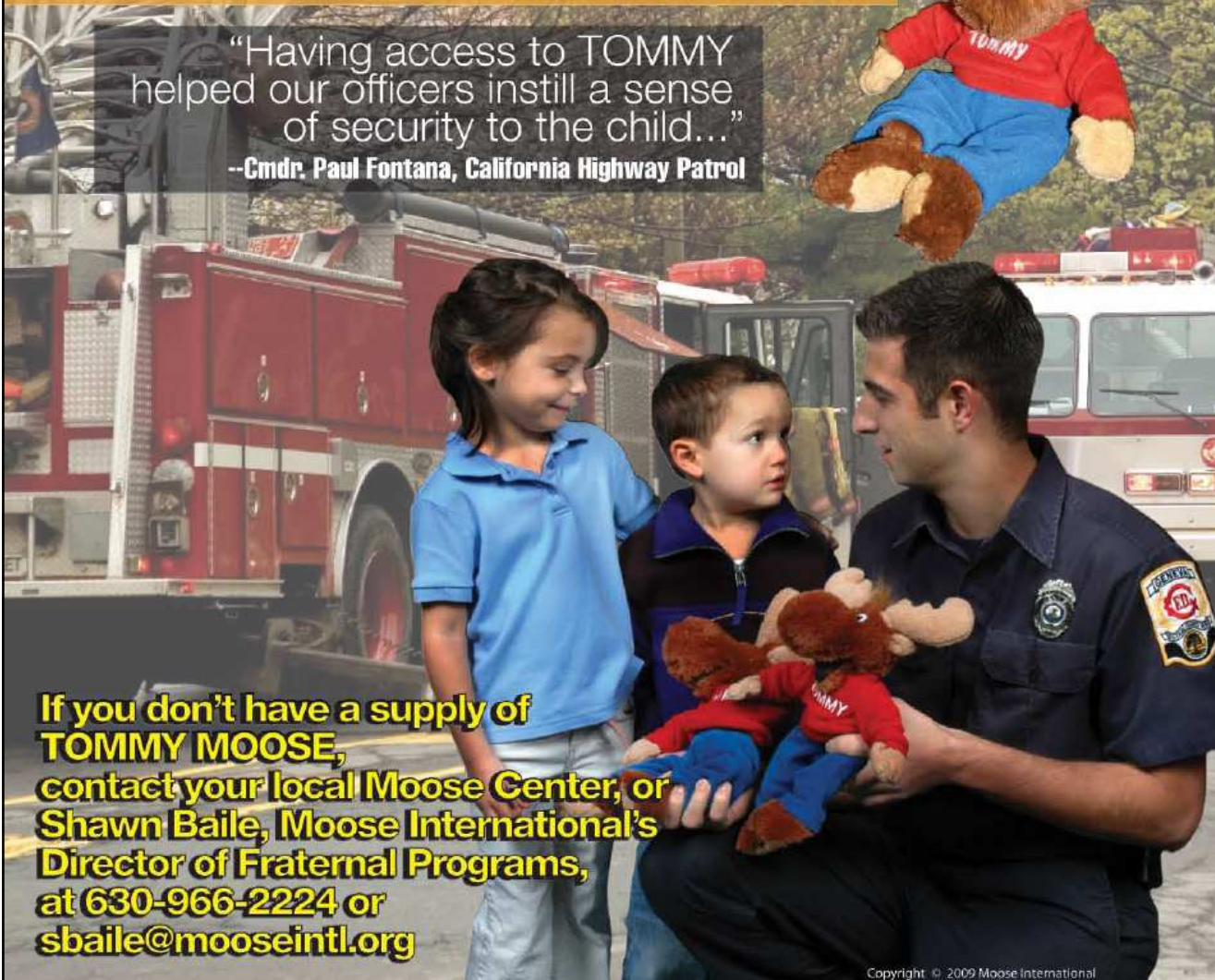
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TWO FRIENDS WERE WALKING



THROUGH THE DESERT.

DURING SOME POINT OF THE
JOURNEY, THEY HAD AN
ARGUMENT; AND ONE FRIEND
SLAPPED THE OTHER ONE
IN THE FACE.

THE ONE WHO GOT SLAPPED
WAS HURT, BUT WITHOUT
SAYING ANYTHING
WROTE IN THE SAND,
'TODAY MY BEST FRIEND
SLAPPED ME IN THE FACE.'

THEY KEPT ON WALKING,
UNTIL THEY FOUND AN OASIS
WHERE THEY DECIDED
TO TAKE A BATH.

THE ONE WHO HAD BEEN
SLAPPED GOT STUCK IN THE
MIRE AND STARTED

DROWNING, BUT THE
FRIEND SAVED HIM.
AFTER HE RECOVERED FROM
THE NEAR DROWING,
HE WROTE ON A STONE:
'TODAY MY BEST FRIEND
SAVED MY LIFE'

THE FRIEND WHO HAD
SLAPPED AND SAVED
HIS BEST FRIEND ASKED
HIM, 'AFTER I HURT YOU,
YOU WROTE IN THE SAND
AND NOW, YOU WROTE ON A
STONE, WHY?'

THE FRIEND REPLIED
'WHEN SOMEONE HURTS US
WE SHOULD WRITE IT DOWN
IN SAND, WHERE WINDS OF

FORGIVENESS CAN ERASE IT
AWAY. BUT, WHEN SOMEONE
DOES SOMETHING GOOD
FOR US, WE MUST ENGRAVE IT
IN STONE WHERE NO WIND
CAN EVER ERASE IT.'

LEARN TO WRITE YOUR
HURTS IN THE SAND AND TO
CARVE YOUR BENEFITS IN
STONE.

THEY SAY IT TAKES A
MINUTE TO FIND
A SPECIAL PERSON,
AN HOUR TO APPRECIATE
THEM, A DAY TO LOVE
THEM, BUT THEN,
AN ENTIRE LIFE
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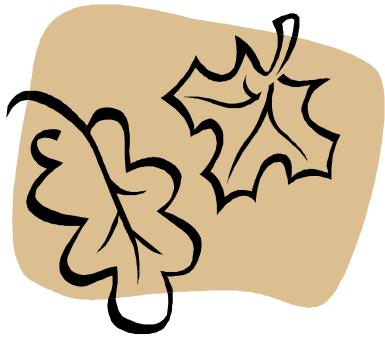
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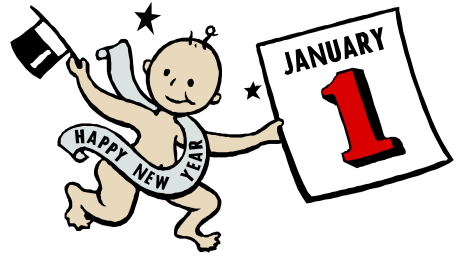
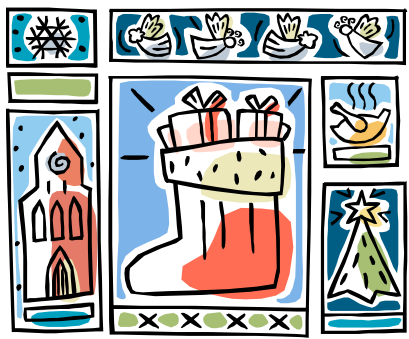
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