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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

CHANGES! CHANGES! And yet some things do not change. I am very happy to report that as



of July 1, 2012, DRM Ernie Megee, III has accepted the appointment as Assistant Regional Manager for MD-DE-DC. So, even though there has been a change, at this time there will not be a visible change. Please join me in welcoming Ernie as a representative of the Moose International Membership Staff. I am confident that when it comes to getting the job done, Ernie will continue to do the same fine job as he had been doing as DRM.

This change became necessary for me, because as of June 22, 2012, I have accepted another change. The Virginia Moose Association has been added to my territorial coverage due to the untimely passing of the former Regional Manager.

I know that with the help of our able Board of Officers and our many volunteers, we can and will move forward in our many philanthropic endeavors in caring for our the children and seniors entrusted to our care; to educate our communities of our desire to work with them; to continue to share our great history and encourage membership and membership retention growth. In so doing, we shall operate financially sound fraternal operations. I look forward to another great year and together, we can and will get it done!

WOW!! What a summer! Between sizzling heat and freak summer storms many of our lodges are still trying to get back to 'normal'. We expect hot weather in Florida, but it seemed hotter than normal there, but thank goodness we didn't have power outages or had to do without air conditioning. I realize that because of lack of power or storm damages, our Moose Lodges have suffered. Either they didn't have power and air conditioning or members were busy cleaning up damages around their own home or their family's homes. For those that suffered property damages, my well wishes go out to you for speedy return to normal.

Now, if we could only turn on the 'heat' in signing new members and retaining members, we would have it "made in the shade".

International Convention was great and for the many men, women and individuals that received special accolades, appointments or advancements, my congratulations to you.

HEARD OF MOOSE! Our new membership theme was revealed in Tampa. Each member is charged with the responsibility of ensuring that everyone they come in contact with has **HEARD OF THE MOOSE**. There is something for everyone and of all ages.

GIVE-GET-GROW- caring for the young.

CONNECT-CARE-COMFORT- caring for seniors

SERVE-SHARE-SUPPORT –bringing communities together.

FRIENDS-FAMILY-FUN – celebrating life.

For information on each of these areas, please check out the website at www.HeardofMoose.org. Each fraternal unit is encouraged to visit this website and become more informed on the importance of how and why we can inform our members and non-members alike on how to better connect with our communities.

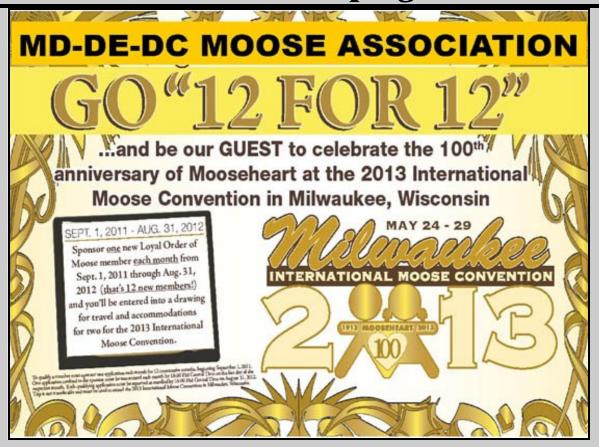
It is vital that every lodge in this association remember our primary goal:

Every lodge reporting at least one new or former member every month. If your lodge does not do this by the 15th of the month, you can expect a phone call from your District President and/or Deputy Regional Manager. If your lodge cannot achieve this goal, your membership chairman and lodge officers are not meeting their obligations. We need to be working retention on a monthly basis so that at the end of the year, we will be able to show an increase in membership AND keep our arrearages at 10% or less. Let's crank up the heat – on membership and membership retention.

Our State Convention will be August 23-26 to be held at the Hunt Valley Inn. I look forward to seeing everyone there and sharing all the new information. See ya' there!

Fraternally, JIM

Current Campaigns























Earlier this Spring, the MD-DE-DC Moose Association visited the Salisbury Shorebirds Baseball team to make a presentation of Tommy Moose to a local fire department. Several officers and the 7th District President Wayne Wilckens attended the ball game. Our own Association President even threw out the first ball of the game. Tommy Moose participated in a tug of war with some of the other mascots attending the game and Sher-

man Shorebird and Tommy Moose became friends during the festivities. Association Secretary Jim



Bolling helped Tommy Moose to hand out his coloring book to children at the game. There were about 10 mascots attending this game, including Smokey the Bear. Looks like everyone had a great time and all agree that President Billy Alderson needs to put more oomph into that pitch next time. Many thanks to Bill Trice for the photos.





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Dundalk Youth Council #1228 built their first float for the Dundalk July 4th Parade and they came in 2nd Place in the competition.

To the left, Jr. Past Governor



Dean McDermott is holding a picture of his father, Dick McDermott, Sr., who has been a member for over 50 years, but was unable to ride the float this year due to illness. So his son, Jr. Past Governor Dean McDermott, is holding his picture and he still rode float with them. He loved riding the float and they dedicated the float to him. Great Job, guys and gals!

This was a Memorial Day Celebration with music as well as a speech held at Harrington Moose Family Center. They had flags for each branch of the service including the Coast Guard and had all Veterans stand to sang the theme song for each branch with one veteran holding each flag. After the speech, everyone sang "The Star Spangled Banner".



Safe Surfing and the MD-DE-DC Moose Association join forces and presented the first "Cop in a Box" to the Frederick Police Department on June 11, 2012. This is basically a computer that holds information on the registered predators in an area in one place for the police to have access to their information when and if needed.



At the Association Meeting in Williamsport, a presentation was made by Ms. Ritter and her son on behalf of "Casey Cares", an organization that helps under-privileged children. Williamsport Lodge presented a donation.







Above pictures show Brunswick Moose 1582 entranceway both before and after remodeling. The remodeling was funded by Chapter 660, as well as Lodge 1582, and completed by members.



Williamsport Administrator Russ Robinson and the governor ran the big six wheel to make money for Williamsport Lodge's annual Christmas baskets. Every year Williamsport packs and delivers food baskets to those in need in the community. Clint Rawlings parked his "Better Shredder" truck at the back of the lodge parking lot to offer to shred documents for the community at no charge.







Moose Lodge Officer Trainer Bryan Shepherd teaches a class of officers who are newly elected officers and others who have taken an officer position for another year. Training is a requirement for officers after the election and installation each year. Keep up the good work, Bryan!!



New Castle Moose Lodge held a Blue Grass Concert in the pavilion. Food and drink was available and everyone had a great time. On the left, Judy Martin and her greatgranddaughter, 3 year old Kayla, danced to the music.





Jessie Dancy played an imaginary guitar with the bands as the barn swallows guarded their babies in the nest, while everyone enjoyed the music on a very pleasant day.

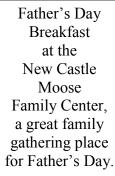








A check for Operation Uplink (see page 18) was presented to DE State President of the Ladies Aux. of VFW, Joanne Smith, by Newark Chapter, along with a box of "goodies" for the Veterans Hospital. This box included pockets for wheelchairs and walkers, knitted footies made by Chapter 705 and coupons for family members of deployed servicemen. Making the presentation is Lodge 630 Governor Chuck Peters, on the left, and Senior Regent Beth L'Heureux on the right.













Hobos gathered from far and wide for the "Hobo" dinner-dance at New Castle Lodge on a warm night in June. Of course, everyone didn't come dressed for the theme, but these brave people came dressed as if they came off the train at the rail yard and

came to enjoy a "hobo's" meal of chicken on a stick (literally - it was on a stick), baked beans, Spanish rice and carrots. Everyone had a good time and our resident senior, Bill Nutter, who attends all dances with his partner, Barbara Brooks, was there to dance at least one dance. Bill is in his mid 90s and doesn't miss many events at the Moose.





The Valor Award for Firefighter of the Year was held at Lower Eastern Shore Lodge 2431. From the left is Assoc. Treasurer Tom Niblett, Administrator Jack Higgins, Honoree Chris Keene and Deputy Regional Manager Len Sprinkle. Tommy Moose were presented to Chris.



These wild and crazy people took part in the Polar Plunge at the Mid-Winter Conference Ocean City,



MD in February. That cold, cold water might feel good on these hot summer days. The proceeds from this plunge went to the MD-DE-DC House Project.

Lodge, visited Mooseheart Campus ny. on May 30, 2012 for the 2011-2012 end-of-year Awards Ceremo- "Our House" is a beautifully deny. While on Campus, they were signed and maintained home for 11 given a tour of the MD-DE-DC boys between the ages of 13-House, and met the House Parents, 18. Mike & Linda have spent nu-

the Family Teacher, and all 11 of merous hours vard saleing with the the boys currently residing there. Mike & Linda Worden are the like roosters and frogs! In the all the 2012 graduates. House Parents at the MD-DE-DC basement they have a room speci-House. Mike & Linda have been fied as the "Man Cave" which they

the Family -DE-DC

House. Mike, Lin-

Robert Hall, Junior Past Governor, da & Angela were kind enough to "Our House" had one young man

boys to find decorations to make it with Mooseheart for 15 years boys can use if they have main-

now. Angela Pope tained their privileges according to Certified the point system set by Moose-Teacher heart. They are currently in search assigned to the MD of and collecting sports memorabilia to decorate the "Man Cave."

and Michelle Edinger, Past Senior show Rob & Michelle around "Our graduate this year. Kendall Owens Regent, both of Columbia, DC House" before the awards ceremo- was presented with a Congratulations card from District 1 of the MD-DE-DC Association. Kendall



will be attending the University of West Illinois, majoring in Criminal Justice. Our Congratuand lations Best

feel more like home. They really Wishes go out to Kendall, and to

1st District President, Robert L. Hall





What common English word is 9 letters long, and each time you remove a letter from it, it still remains an English word...

from 9 letters all the way down to a single English word? (See page 28)

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Baltimore & Washington, DC

Call Floyd and Millie Johnson and they can direct you as to who you need to call for information.

2012 Pilgrim Robing Ceremonies

Richard Thompson at Annapolis Lodge - July 22nd William Miles at Mechanicsville Lodge - July 29 Harry McGray at Harrington Lodge - August 4





Frank Courtney at Wheaton Lodge - August 11

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MD-DE-DC MOOSE ASSOCIATION CONVENTION AUGUST 23-26, 2012

Baltimore Hunt Valley Inn, Hunt Valley, MD

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2012

8:00 A.M. Golf Tournament 3:00-6:00 p.m. Registration

3:00 p.m. Finance, Rules & Order, Resolutions, Registration & Credential Committees

5:00 p.m. Memorial Service Practice

SHINING STAR AWARDS PROGRAM

5:30-6:30 p.m. Social Hour (Cash Bar)

6:30 p.m. Doors Open

7:00 p.m. Program - Everyone Welcome

Presentation of Colors, Pledge of Allegiance, Singing of National Anthem

Introduction of Community Officials

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24 2012

8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. Association Board Meeting - Officers and Chairmen

10:00 a.m. Nominating Committee Meeting (International Elected & Appointed Officials,

Association Elected Officers & All Past Presidents)

11:30 a.m. Pilgrim Luncheon (Holders of the Pilgrim Degree - only)

(Fellowship Applications, & Pilgrim Degree Recommendations)

1:00 p.m. **JOINT GRAND OPENING & MEMORIAL SERVICE**

(Pilgrims, Fellows, Moose Legionnaires, Academy of Friendship & Collegians in

Regalia)

Parade of 2012 Pilgrims & Collegians

Invocation

Opening Remarks of President Billy Alderson

Report of the Nominating Committee

Opening Remarks of Deputy Grand Regent Sue Cornell

Introduction of WOTM OV Introduction of LOOM

Mooseheart Centennial/Moosehaven 90th Anniversary

MEMORIAL SERVICE - Conducted by Council of Higher Degree

7:00 p.m. 5/25 Club Party (By Invitation Only)

Pick up tickets at Registration Desk by 3:00 p.m. Friday

Entertainment TBA - Cash Bar

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25 2012

7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Registration

7:30 a.m. Fellowship Degree of Honor Breakfast (Candidates, Fellows and Pilgrims Only

Fellowship Conferral to Follow

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9:30 a.m. **OPENING BUSINESS SESSION**Jr. Past President Presiding

Parade of 2012 Fellows

Credentials Committee Report

Rules & Order Committee Report- Move for Adoption

Convention Obligation

Presentation of Gavel to Association President

Roll Call of Association Officers

Roll Call of Lodges

Rules & Order Committee Report – Move for Adoption

Move for Adoption of Previous Association Monthly and Mid-Year Conference Meetings

Treasurers' Report and Budget Approval

Visit to WOTM & LOOM

Audit Committee Report

Report of Youth Awareness

Lodge Operations by Senior Operations Analyst, Dave Greenaway

Remarks of Moosehaven Board of Directors Chairman, Ron Sweetman

Member Benefits/ Remarks of Regional Manager, Jim Hale

Association Secretary's Report Resolution Committee Report

By-Laws Committee Report

R. Robert Dale Scholarship Drawing

RECESS

12: 00 Noon Governor & Administrator Luncheon Meeting

(Association Elected Officers, LOOM International Appointed Officials &

Lodge Administrators & Governors)

Discussion of Moose Charities/Raffle Fund Donations/ Importance of Timely

Reporting

1:30 p.m. SESSION II

Report of Loss Prevention Chairman Tim McElwain

Report of Community Service Chairman Bill Trice III

Report of Family Activities Chairman Larry Clark

Report of Moose Charities Chairman Danny Williams

Report of Endowment Fund Chairman John Johnston

MARCH OF CHECKS

Safe Surfin & Special Olympics (payable to Moose Charities)

MD DE DC Scholarship Fund (payable to MD DE DC Moose Assoc.)

MD DE Home (payable to Moose Charities - earmarked Association

project)

Report of Rules & Order Committee

Report of Association President Billy Alderson

Remarks of Moose Legion Councilman Danny Williams

Assistant Regional Manager - Ernest Megee, III



Congratulations to our Assistant Regional Manager Ernest Megee, III We wish you the best in your new position.



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Report of Regional Manager Jim Hale

Address of Official Visitor Credential Committee Report Association Secretary's Remarks

Roll Call of Lodges Election of Officers

RECESS

6:00 p.m. **HONORS BANQUET** (Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

In honor of Association President Billy Alderson and Deputy Grand Regent Sue Cornell

(Tickets are \$35.00 per person. See Danny Williams)

Opening Prayer

Regional Manager's Greeting

Introduction of President Alderson and Deputy Grand Regent Cornell

Remarks of W.O.T.M. OV Remarks of LOOM OV Awards & Recognition

Installation of Officers and District Presidents

5000 Club Drawing

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26 2012 SESSION III

9:00 a.m.

2012-2013 Association Planning & Goals Roll Call of Lodges & Appointed Officers Association Secretary's Announcement

Drawing for Winning Lodge - Moose Charities Out of Pocket Total Donations

(Lodge must have representation at ALL meetings)

Benediction

Adjourn sine die

All tickets (Fellowship Breakfast, Pilgrim Luncheon, Governor & Administrators Luncheon & Banquet) must be purchased by August 23, 2012

Pilgrim Luncheon, Fellowship Breakfast, Governor & Administrator Luncheon, contact Jim Hickman at 302-645-8586

Saturday Night Banquet Tickets, contact Danny Williams at 304-258-1127

Endowment Fund Collections Will Be Taken At All Meetings

Welcome our Official Visitors to MD-DE-DC

Men's OV - Shawn M. Baile

Shawn Baile is no stranger to MD-DE-DC as from 2002-2006. He also he has come as Official Visitor several times. He holds was appointed as the Director of Membership De- Mecca Moose Legion 9. partment at Moose International in October 2009 and has served as Director of the former Fraternal several positions in the Program Department since March 2007 until Oc- Pennsylvania Moose Astober 2009; also, he has served as Director of sociation. Moose Legion, Ritual and Community Service prior to 2007.

for membership growth and direction of the fra- grim Degree of Merit in 2009. He has also reternity's field staff of Regional Managers, plus ceived the Moose Legion Medal of Honor in Community Service, Family Activities, Sports, 2008. Youth Programs and the Moose Travel Program.

ernor. He also holds membership in Mooseheart, gion. IL Lodge 2655. Elevating to Keystone Moosecial Director, Sgt-At-Arms, then as Secretary J.T. Welcome back to MD-DE-DC, Shawn!!

membership

Shawn has also served

He is a member of the

75 Division of the Moose 25 Club, received the As Director of Membership, he is responsible Fellowship Degree of Honor in 2003 and the Pil-

Born and raised in the York, PA area, Shawn Shawn joined York, PA Lodge 148 in 1997 received a bachelor's degree in telecommunicaand transferred to Gettysburg, PA Lodge 1526 in tions from Penn State in 1996. He is a member of 2004. He has served his Lodge as Treasurer, the B.P.O.E. Lodge 1592 in Red Lion, PA and Prelate, Jr. Governor, Governor and Jr. Past Gov- Squadron 543 of the Sons of the American Le-

Shawn and his wife, Denielle, resides in North Legion 41, Shawn as held the positions of Finan- Aurora, IL with their daughter, Emily, and son,

Women's OV - Patricia "Pat" Walker

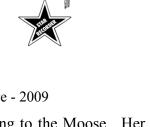


Pat is a member of San Diego, CA Chapter 2 which she joined in 1972. She has been an active member from day one. She also joined Escondido, CA Chapter 1310 in 2007. Pat as served her Chapters in many capacities, as well as fulfilled appointments made by International Headquarters.

Her accomplishments are listed below:

- Academy of Friendship Degree 1978
- College of Regents Degree 1984
- Star Recorder Degree 1985
- Deputy Grand Regent CA-NV 1988-1989
- College of Regents Board Member 1996-1998
- President College of Regents Board 2000-2001
- Mooseheart/Moosehaven Admissions 1988-2009
- 25 Club 2001 Member of the 50 Division
- Grand Council Member 2006-2009
- Moosehaven Admissions/Marketing Representative 2009





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Pat is from a Moose family. All family members over the age of 21 belong to the Moose. Her parents retired to Moosehaven in 2001. Her father, who was a Pilgrim, passed away in 2004 and her mother, is a Collegian and Star Recorder, resides in Buckeye Hall at Moosehaven. Pat and her husband, Chuck, enjoy traveling and spending time with the family. They reside in Vista, CA and have four grown children and nine grandchildren.

More Bowling for "Our House"

BOWLING TOURNAMENT FUND-RAISER for the MD-DE-DC House at Mooseheart

5 Person Teams, Single & Doubles Events \$20 per person per event (3 games) plus shoe rental

NO AVERAGE NEEDED

PARKVILLE LANES

Harford Rd and Taylor Avenue (Parkville Shopping Center)



OCTOBER 7, 2012 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM



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IF YOU DON'T WANT TO BOWL, WE WILL ACCEPT DONATIONS. PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: MD-DE-DC MOOSE ASSOCIATION

If you like to bowl, please plan to attend this fund-raiser. We only had 4 Chapters and Lodges represented at the July event, so it would be great to have more people involved. Many thanks to District 3 for supporting this event.

Fraternally, Sarah Lentz

John Lyons Scholarship Golf Tournament

John Lyons Scholarship Golf Tournament

October 6, 2012 - Register Time 12 PM - Start Time 1 PM

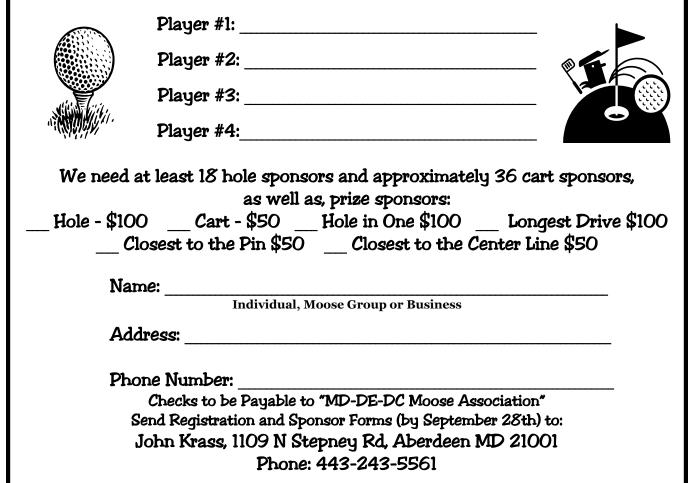
Ruggles Golf Course at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, MD

Come one, come all (Guys & Gals) for FUN, FOOD, PRIZES AND FELLOWSHIP Help support the John Lyons Scholarship Fund. Aberdeen Lodge will supply the meal after the tournament. It's just a short ride from the course.

Cost: \$65.00 per player, \$260.00 for a foursome
Prizes awarded for Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive, Closest to the Center Line
and, of course, the Winning Team. Door Prizes, Wheels, 50/50's will be at
Aberdeen Lodge for the benefit of the MD-DE-DC House.
Great way to support 2 worthwhile programs at the same time!!

Mulligans will also be available.

Registration Form for Players:



Deputy Supreme Gov. John J. Cihak



HELLO – I would guess that by now just about everyone has gotten the word that I am the new Deputy Supreme Governor. If not - SURPRISE! I feel honored to represent Supreme Governor Jim Henderson for the coming 2012 - 2013 year.

Brother Henderson will of course be promoting membership and retention. In his last e-mail to me he made the statement that, "If only 20 percent of current members sponsored a member and we didn't drop as many as we have been, we would have what we all want and need - an increase in good standing membership". Of

course, we would like the percentage to be higher – so, let's all pitch in and make it 2 years in a row!! Let's all keep asking prospective members if they "HEARD OF MOOSE?" I look forward to visiting as many Lodges and Districts as possible. I will carry the Supreme Governor's message everywhere I go and will also continue to ask each and every member (man and woman) to send that \$5.00 each year (every year) to support our Maryland, Delaware, District of Columbia Home at Mooseheart.

The Supreme Governor will be in the Association October 11th to the 14th. See the information below for his schedule when he comes to our Association.

Thank you for all you do and what you and will continue to do for our children at Mooseheart, our seniors at Moosehaven and our communities.

Fraternally,

John J. Cihak

Deputy Supreme Governor

Supreme Governor's Schedule in MD-DE-DC

Visits Scheduled for October 11 - 14, 2012

Thursday, October 11, 2012

Salisbury Lodge #654 Meet & Greet

Friday, October 12, 2012

East Sussex Lodge #2542 Lunch

Seaford Lodge #1728 Meet & Greet

Saturday, October 13, 2012

Camden-Wyoming Lodge #203 Lunch Milford Lodge #2316 Visit

Harrington Lodge #534 Meet & Greet

Sunday, October 14, 2012

New Castle Lodge #1578 Lunch

Times will be advised when determined.



2012-13 Supreme Governor James Henderson

Our Supreme Governor for 2012 to 2013 is gion competition.

James F. Henderson, Sr. He has served as 2010-

Governor, as well as, on the Supreme Council since 2002. Before that, he served 7 years on the Moosehaven Board of Directors and 11 years on the International Endowment Fund Board.

Jim joined Mt. Clemens, MI Lodge 1278 in 1969 where he served as Sergeant-At-Arms for one year before transferring to Glendale, AZ Lodge 2243. He served at Sergeant-At-Arms, Treasurer and Administra-

tor of Phoenix, AZ Lodge 708 and is now a mem-grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. ber of East Mesa Lodge 2082. In 1987, Jim became a Life Member of the Moose.

tion with the former Sun Valley jurisdiction to Moose Association. Thunderbird Moose Legion 213. As an active times and placed in the International Moose Le- ernor.

Jim has also served the Arizona/New Mexico 11 Supreme Prelate and 2011-12 Supreme Jr. Moose Association as District Secretary and Dis-

> trict President, as well as Association President in 1985. He has served as Deputy Supreme Governor for 3 years and as Deputy Direction of Conservation.

> He is a member of the 850 Division of the Moose 25 club, received the Fellowship Degree of Honor in 1979 and the Pilgrim Degree of Merit in 1985.

> Jim resides in Mesa with his wife They have 8 children, 25 Joyce.

We wish Jim success and safety in his travels for the Loyal Order of Moose. He will be visiting In 1977, Jim elevated to Sun Valley Moose our Association on October 11th through the 14th. Legion 193 and served all chairs, including North Please check the schedule on Page 19 and make Moose. He became a Life Member in the Moose plans to be at one or more of these lodges to wel-Legion in 1982 and transferred his original affilia- come our Supreme Governor to the MD-DE-DC

Let's show Jim a warm and friendly welcome Ritualist in both Lodge and Moose Legion, Jim when he visits our Association this October. We has earned top honors in state competition several wish him the best in his year as our Supreme Gov-



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Mary & Lucky

Anyone who has pets will really like this. You'll like it even if you don't and you may even decide you need one!

Mary and her husband Jim had a dog named 'Lucky'. Lucky was a real character. Whenever Mary and Jim had company come for a weekend visit they would warn their friends to not leave their luggage open because Lucky would help himself to whatever struck his fancy. Inevitably, someone would forget and something would come up missing.

Mary or Jim would go to Lucky's toy box in the basement and there the treasure would be, amid all of Lucky's other favorite toys. Lucky always stashed his finds in his toy box and he was very particular that his toys stay in the box.

It happened that Mary found out she had breast cancer. Something told her she was going to die of this disease....in fact, she was just sure it was fatal.

She scheduled the double mastectomy, fear riding her shoulders. The night before she was to go to the hospital she cuddled with Lucky. A thought struck her...what would happen to Lucky? Although the three-year-old dog liked Jim, he was Mary's dog through and through. If I die, Lucky will be abandoned, Mary thought. He won't understand that I didn't want to leave him. The thought made her sadder than thinking of her own death.

The double mastectomy was harder on Mary than her doctors had anticipated and Mary was hospitalized for over two weeks. Jim took Lucky for his evening walk faithfully, but the little dog just drooped, whining and miserable.

Finally the day came for Mary to leave the hospital. When she arrived home, Mary was so exhausted she couldn't even make it up the steps to her bedroom. Jim made his wife comfortable on the couch and left her to nap. Lucky stood watching Mary but he didn't come to her when she called. It made Mary sad but sleep soon overcame her and she dozed.

When Mary woke for a second she couldn't understand what was wrong. She couldn't move her head and her body felt heavy and hot. But panic soon gave way to laughter when Mary realized the problem. She was covered, literally blanketed, with every treasure Lucky owned! While she had slept, the sorrowing dog had made trip after trip to the basement bringing his beloved mistress all his favorite things in life. He had covered her with his love.

Mary forgot about dying. Instead she and Lucky began living again, walking further and further together every day. It's been 12 years now and Mary is still cancer-free. Lucky? He still steals treasures and stashes them in his toy box but Mary remains his greatest treasure.

Remember....live every day to the fullest. Each minute is a blessing from God....and never forget....the people who make a difference in our lives are not the ones with the most credentials, the most money, or the most awards - they are the ones who care for us.

If you see someone without a smile today, give them one of yours! Live simply. Love seriously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. Leave the rest to God

Dear God, I pray for the cure of cancer. Amen



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New 25 Club Honorees

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



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25 Division

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50 Division

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75 Division

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Congratulations to all!!



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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!

News from the District Presidents

District 1 - Robert L. Hall, President

Brothers and Co-Workers,



I want to thank all members who attended the International Convention in Tampa Florida. We all had such a great time. HEARD OF THE MOOSE? This is our new Annual Membership Champaign. The Moose fraternity belongs to each and every one of us, and only we can make a difference. We all have to remember that what we do in our fraternity is for Mooseheart and Moosehaven, our children and senior members, our community, and for the love of our country. God bless Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

We all have to get back to the basics of having a good time not only in our meetings but also in our Lodge and Chapter Activities. If we do not create any enjoyment at our lodges we will lose members which are the backbone of our association. Remember to make your meetings fun filled and members when asked will want to come back to the meeting instead of just the Officers. We need every ones

input to be successful. Retention is important; we cannot afford to lose members out the back door when we sign up new members. Not only is signing new members the number one priority of the Lodge and Chapter but keeping our current members pleased is a main concern as well.

Thank you to all the Officers who attended our Officers Training. Thank you, Bryan Shepherd, for taking your time in providing this training.

Do not forget to buy your 12 week tickets in helping us with our MD-DE-DC Association responsibility of our yearly commitment of \$120,000, to fully fund our very own home at Mooseheart.

I am looking forward to seeing you at our MD-DE-DC Moose Association Annual Convention, August 23-26, 2012 Hunt Valley, MD.

Fraternally, Robert L. Hall

District 2 - Russ Robinson, President

Brothers and Co-Workers,

Greetings and salutations, from Greater Western Maryland!!!! Hope everyone who got to attend the international convention, in Tampa and has now returned home safe and sound. Just took off my jogging shoes, and changed my socks (saved the lodge a few bucks....lol)

While in Tampa, you could not help but observe and/or hear "Heard of Moose". I have even been called and texted that at one of the main meetings a Moose could even be heard in the crowd!!!!! That's a story for another trip.

Fraternally, Russ Robinson

District 3 - Wayne Kraft, President



Greetings from the Mighty Third!

Wow! Where has the time gone? As my term in office comes to a close I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation to all my Brothers & Co-workers who have worked tirelessly to improve their respective Lodges and Chapters, the District and the Fraternity. Your continuing efforts to support our Children at Mooseheart and our Seniors at Moosehaven have been fantastic

Membership... what can I say? You not only achieved some remarkable goals but in many cases exceeded expectations. Speaking for the District's Membership/Retention Chair

Jim Black, "Job Well Done." But as Jim will also say, "Don't stop now!!! Keep going!!"

Thanks to the District Board of Officers and Committee chairs for your support. Your labors made my job much easier. A special thank you to District Secretary Paul Sojka and Jr. Past President Chuck Neal, who provided encouragement and guidance during the past two years.

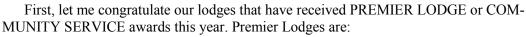
Finally, I wish the best of success to the new District and Association officers for the upcoming year.

Fraternally, Wayne Kraft

News from the District Presidents

District 4 - John J. Stokes, Sr., President

Brothers and Co-Workers,



Platium - Elton and Salisbury, Gold-Harrington, Annapolis, Williamsport, and Waldorf, Bronze - New Castle, Smyrna-Clayton, and Claymont.

The Community Service Award for receiving a Superior rating in all four Quarterly Reports in descending order are:

Harrington 586 points, Camden-Wyoming 466, Salisbury 325, Milford 215, Annapolis 190, New Castle 186, Waldorf 156, Sparrows Point-Dundalk 140,

Job well done.

Seaford 116, Westminster 84, Lower Eastern Shore 83 and Glen Burnie 79.

Finally, please remember the MD-DE-DC HOUSE at the march of checks at our August Convention at Hunt Valley. I hope I will see you all there.

Fraternally, John Stokes

District 5 - Mike Boris, President

Congratulations to all the Members and Co-Workers who received their higher degrees this year.

New Moose year is on the horizon and I am looking forward to working with the district officers, members, co-workers, and lodges. Let's all set a goal to increase membership and increase our donations to Moose Charities, also let's not forget OUR HOUSE ... MD-DE-DC HOUSE, at MOOSEHEART. We Can Do It!

I hope everyone who attended the Convention in Tampa had a great time and brought back informative information to your lodges.

Remember about the ongoing membership campaign - sign two members and get your dues paid for a year, this also applies to the Moose Legion. Start a short term incentive campaign in your lodge for members. HEARD OF MOOSE..... we did, so let's spread the word and increase membership. Plan an event and open it to the public- it's a great way to sign members, IT WORKS.

Don't forget to get your lodge reports in on time. This includes your district report and all the regular reports to our Association and Moose International. If you are having a problem with any of them you can get help from your local operations analysts by calling your Deputy Regional Manager.

Again this year the September Association Meeting will be held at BLOBS PARK in Jessup, MD hosted by Odenton MSC along with THE GREAT AMERICAN 250 LAWNMOWER CHAMPIONSHIP RACE. This year we will again be racing for the MD-DE-DC HOUSE at MOOSEHEART. Details will be on the website. Let's top the \$\$\$\$\$\$ we raised last year. Thanks to all who participated last year.

The COMMUNICATOR is always looking for Lodge Happenings, so if you have an event, send the info to Miriam, she does a great job putting it together, but she needs your help.

The TOMMY MOOSE PROGRAM is a great way to get the word out ...HEARD OF MOOSE...sure we did!! TOMMY MOOSE !!!!!!

Thanks to everyone who supported and helped me out as acting District President last year, I'm looking forward to a great year in THE FABULOUS FIFTH DISTRICT.

Fraternally, Mike Boris

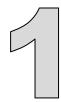
CONGRATULATIONS

to all the Soon-To-Be Retiring District Presidents and Pro Tems. Best Wishes to the Incoming Boards of Officers in our Districts

A New Year - A New Beginning

A NEW YEAR — A NEW BEGINNING

FOCUS ON



With the beginning of a new Moose Year, our thoughts should turn to asking the question "How did we do last year?" Well, we did have an increase in 'good standing' members, but, as an Association we did not achieve our quota. If we had only put forth more effort to get members that needed to renew their membership or had already expired, as we did in the last few months, we could have had a better chance. Remember, this is an ongoing year-long process.

Each quarter we are faced with members being placed on the arrearage list or dropped because they did not renew their dues. Our goal this year is to ensure that every Lodge does not show more than 10% of their total membership in arrears at the end of the year. Let me suggest how we can do this.

If every ${\bf 1}$ will focus on ${\bf 1}$ we can do it. Focus on ${\bf 1}$ new member every week; ${\bf 1}$ former member every week; increase number of active members by ${\bf 1}$ each month. At the end of this fiscal year, you should have at least ${\bf 1}$ more active member than you did on May ${\bf 1}$.

Every sponsor is automatically a member of the Membership & Retention Committee of the Lodge. As a sponsor, we are asking that you stay alert to the members that you sponsored; make sure that 1 member be saved each month by renewing their membership. We challenge each sponsor to renew 1 former member each month. We also challenge sponsors to sponsor 1 more new member than you did last year.

If every 1 will save 1, renew 1 and sign 1, this Association will achieve our goals for the year with many 1's.

Fraternally, Jim Hale, Regional Manager

In Memory



Allen B. Arthur

Member of Harrington Lodge Held the Pilgrim Degree of Merit



Till We Meet Again

Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one.

I'd like to leave an afterglow
of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing
times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who
grieve, to dry before the sun,
And think of happy memories
when the day is done.

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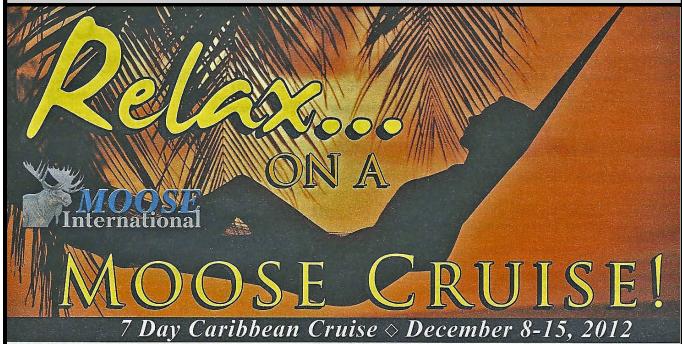
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MD-DE-DC Councils of Higher Degrees



Meeting Schedule

Black-Eyed Susans Council

Information to be in next issue, once it is received.







August 11 - Elkton October 13 - Banquet TBA







It's riddle time! Answer - from page 10



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A message from Jr. Past Grand Regent Libby

Hello Co-Workers,

their future care.

Gosh, The International Tampa Conference is over and here we are again, back at home and working with our new ideas to support our chapters, lodges, communities and of course let's not forget our Mooseheart and Moosehaven. I hope you are reading your books and obtaining the correct and much needed information for a

very successful 2012-2013 Chapter and Lodge year. For some, perhaps (and I certainly hope) this will be a time for learning and planning some great fundraising ideas, which will help benefit Moose Charities. Let's not forgot what and who we are, and why we are members of this great Moose organization. Our children at Mooseheart and our Seniors at Moosehaven depend on us for

As I mention "Moose Charities", I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone that was faithful in committing donations for the Gimme5 project that is now completed. Those five years really flew by quickly, and we did reach our goal of \$5 Million.

Out of all the members for **OUR** Regional Association, there were only 837 brothers and coworkers, plus a combined total of 24 Lodges, Chapters & Districts that donated to the Gimme5, and thanks to them, **OUR** total collected was \$136,646.47.

For those of you that did not attend the Tampa conference, our new fundraiser is: "Join the Donors Circle". This will be a recognition program designed to recognize YOU as an individual supporter when you send a tax deductible Endowment fund donation to Moose Charities. We are asking individual Endowment Fund gifts of any amount to Moose Charities. Your gifts are fully tax deductible and cumulative. When you reach \$100.00 and each level thereafter, you will receive a heart pin for different categories you reach, plus your Lodge/Chapter/Moose Legion will receive credit towards their recognition goals as well, for your individual donations. Your donation secures the future of our Twin Cities,

Mooseheart and Moosehaven. Check out our website to see the details.

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 de-

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 gather our "Heard of Moose" 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 where it used to be in our Lodges and Chapters. Members are our survival, so let's work on this weak spot and

In Friendship, Libby

We can do it!

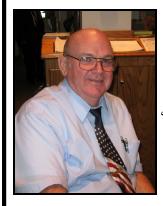
make our Association #1.

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 Charities Chairman Danny Williams



Moose Charities Report

"New" Programs of Moose Charities

Recently at the 124th International Convention held in Tampa, Florida, "New" programs for Moose Charities were announced and they are as follows"

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Mooseheart High School "Celebrating 100 Years" Honorary Member of Mooseheart Class of 2013?

Applications and information will be available at our Annual Convention in August for "Honor Student", \$10.00 donation to the Mooseheart School renovation project. The more donated, the more your "Graduation Package" will include.

"Mooseheart Boosters"

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Information for all of these programs will be available at the upcoming Annual Conference in Hunts Valley.

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



Fraternally yours,

Danny Williams, Sr.

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Deputy Grand Regent Barbara Sue Cornell

Hello Co-Workers:

Wow, how times flies - here we are getting ready for the Annual Convention at Hunt Valley in August. I just came back from the wonderful International Convention in Tampa, Florida. Was so glad to see so many Moose members there from our area. I want to say that the opening meeting with our children from Mooseheart was awesome, when the children of Mooseheart kneeled at their bedside for the 9:00 ceremony it brought such warmth to my heart, knowing that we need to put

Mooseheart and Moosehaven always first in our lodges and chapters. Jimmie and I stopped in at Moosehaven on our way to the convention, we had a wonderful

tour of the facilities, and the services they receive our outstanding.

Congratulations to our Academy of Friendship, Star Recorder and College of Regents Co-Workers who received their degrees at the convention. I know how hard you have all worked to receive your degree along with the help of your committe chairman, co-workers and lodge brothers.

Congratulations to our new Deputy Grand Regent Bea Megee from Lewes-Rehoboth Chapter - I know you will do a great job in the coming year.

I hope you all like our new theme: "Heard of Moose?" I think it will create some interest in our communities that do not know what the Moose Organization is all about. At your Lodges and Chapters please try to spread the word to all co-workers and lodge brothers. I am hoping that if more people ask about us they, will join and increase our membership, which we need at all of our chapters and lodges.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Annual Convention with our Hostess Chapter Annapolis. They will be able to help you all in anyway.

Sometimes our lives are blessed by people who are so special that we are happier just because we know them.....



Fraternally,
Barbara Sue Cornell
Deputy Grand Regent
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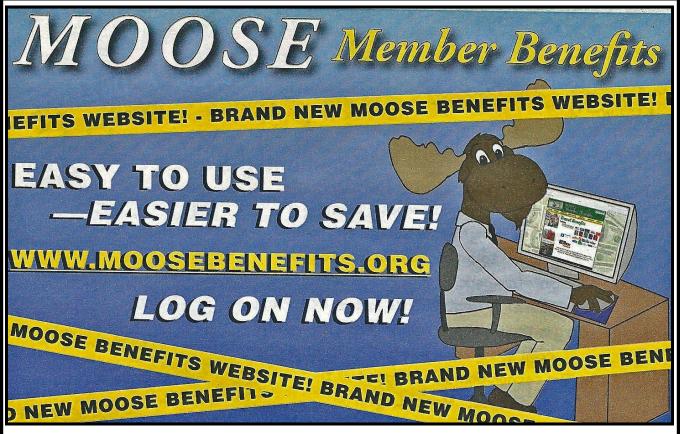
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Everybody likes to get a birthday card - especially our children and seniors!! Here's a list of our Mooseheart and Moosehaven residents' birthdays - send them a card!

Our Boys at Mooseheart:

Humberto Esparza - 2/16/98
Derick Graeser - 2/18/98
Wal Khat - 1/11/96
Aaron Moka - 4/20/96
Jacob Montano - 9/6/95
Adrian Owens - 3/18/97
Kendall Owens - 10/4/93
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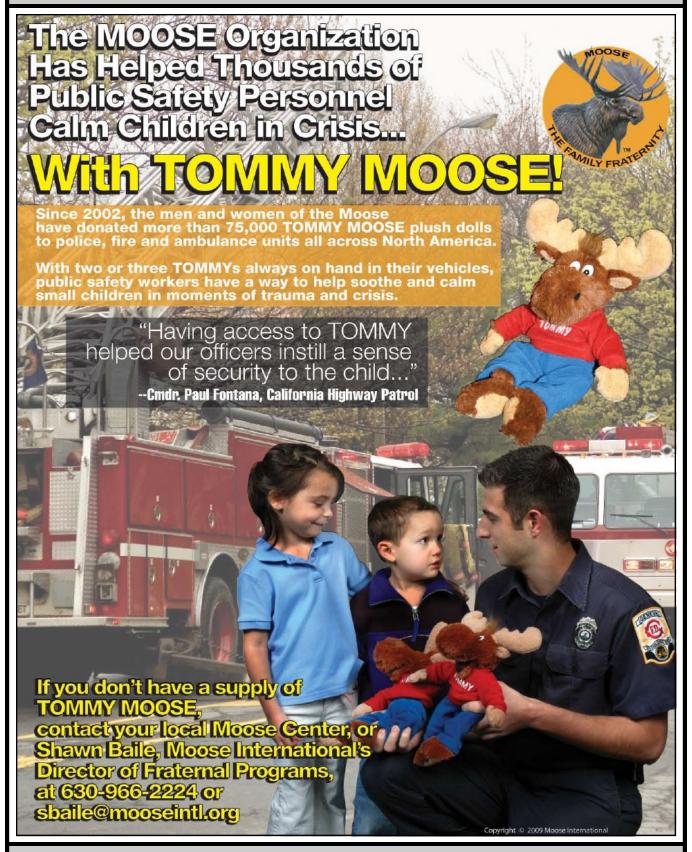
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Our Residents at Moosehaven:

James J. Lupo, Jr. - 1/24 Edward Pelkey - 7/28 Mary Pelkey - 5/24

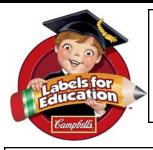


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Recycle old printer-toner cartridges, old cellphones and old computers to help generate funds for Mooseheart. Check the website in Moose Charities and follow the directions to received shipping labels for sending your recyclables to help the "Cartridges for Kids" program.



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The Car Keys

My husband has scolded me many times for leaving the keys in the ignition.

My theory is the ignition is the best place not to lose them.

His theory is that the car will be stolen.

As I burst through the door, I came to a terrifying conclusion.

His theory was right. The parking lot was empty.

I immediately called the police. I gave them my location, confessed that I had left my keys in the car, and that it had been stolen.

Then I made the most difficult call of all, "Honey,"......I call him "honey"in times like these. "I left my keys in the car and it has been stolen."

There was a period of silence. I thought the call had been dropped, but then I heard his voice. "Are you kiddin' me," he barked, "I dropped you off!"

Now it was my time to be silent. Embarrassed, I said, "Well, come and get me."

He retorted, "I will, as soon as I convince this policeman I have not stolen your car."

Yep it's the golden years.....

ır car."	
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June 24, 2012 Sun (Nominations) Annapolis #296

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July 22, 2012 Sun (Nominations) Annapolis #296

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September 22, 2012 Sat Officers Annapolis #296

September, 23, 2012 Sun Bel Air #1952

All Meetings: Assn Officers 9:00 am, Dist Pres 10:00 am

Jim Bolling, Secretary



The homeowner who lives in this house wanted to put up an American Flag in his yard, but the Civic Association refused to allow him to fly the Flag. This was his answer to their denial.

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"No Man Stands So Straight and Tall As When He Stoops To Lift Up A Child."

James J. Davis

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