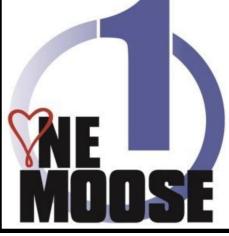


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ON THE COVER

Supreme Governor Bruce Burger, flanked by Deputy Supreme Governor Bobby Hall and *The Burger King during his visit to Wheaton Moose Lodge*.

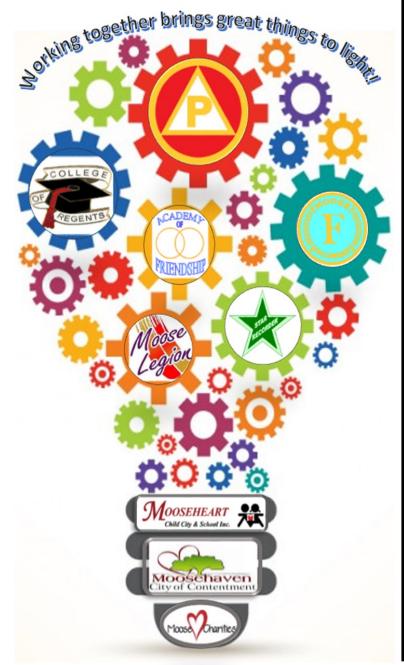
SEPARATE WAYS The Band—A grand event to benefit MD/DE/DC Moose Association to be held at Westminster Moose Lodge. The ultimate Journey Tribute Band will take you back to 1980's Journey experience complete with Steve Perry doppelganger, Danny Gagliano. Get your tickets now before they're all sold out. This band is a smash at OC Sun Fest and other venues sell out when they're headlining! Our own Kevin Ray will open the show with his Neil Diamond Tribute. Great show for only \$35/pp. Westminster will offer a meal for the additional \$10.

The <u>DEADLINE</u> for the next issue of "The Association Communicator" is

<u>October 10, 2020</u>

Please email your articles to: Jean Neal Editor jean m.neal@Yahoo.com





Thoughts from The Editor

As we are still dealing with fall out from the Covid Virus, we must keep our eye on our future horizons!

It seems a lot of things are still up in the air as to what is happening, what can happen, and at the time of this printing, we're still trying to figure out if the Annual Convention will include everyone in a face to face format or if it will be conducted from Ocean City in a virtual format.

Make sure you've taken advantage of trainings offered. I for one attended the Lodge Leadership and House Committee training and found it incredibly informative. While on line trainings are convenient, there's nothing better than live coaches who can answer your questions. Let's face, it not everyone is geared toward or has an innate sense of how a business should be run. This class is a great tool and I encourage not only men but the women to attend as well.

In this issue I have asked lodges and chapter to send me what will be happening in the near future. If you're in their area on days events are offered, or see something of interest, be sure to make plans to support them!

Until we see each other again, Be Well!

Fraternally, Jean M. Neal, PDGR—Editor

Future Deadlines:

October 10, 2020 **January 10, 2021**

May 10, 2021

August 10, 2021

Association Election Information



To all individuals considering running for an elected office of the MD/DE/DC Moose Association:

To run for all positions (other than President) you must be a Past Governor or Senior Regent.

Candidates running for President MUST be a Past District President.

Moose related resumes can be sent to Association Secretary at mdassoc@mooseunits.org by Thursday at 12 noon, October 22nd. You must be available to be interviewed by the nominations committee on that day, no matter where the location.

Due to the daily changes in our association State by State, all dates, times and sites are subject to change.



Message from President Mike Boris

Brothers, WOTM and Co-workers,

What can one say about this crazy year??? Here goes: First of all let me say thanks for a great conference in March. I had many members say that it was one of the best they attended.

Then Covid 19 hit. WOW!! Who would have thought a virus could have created so much havoc.

I would like to thank the Great Lodges in our Association for abiding with all the state and local restrictions they have put on us. Unfortunately it hurt their business and membership; but we will recover. "We are Moose and that's what we do." (from Bruce Berger S.G.) Speaking of Bruce, he has said how much he enjoyed his visit to the Lodges in our Association. Thanks to Bobby Hall for making his visit so enjoyable and informative.

May of our Lodges took this down time to "spruce up." Thanks to all the Governors, Administrators and members who gave their time, energy and money to make this happen. Way to go guys and gals! You should be proud of what you've done.

Congratulations to all the members who have achieved higher degrees, both men and women. You deserve it for all the hard work you have done to achieve the next step in fraternalism.

Congratulations to the Lodges that achieved the Premier Lodge award. It's been a tough year to do this. Hopefully all the Lodges will achieve this award this year. "Get 'er done."

Membership ... there is a great campaign going on now: Lifetime Membership. Get the details at your Lodge. Retention is still the key for a strong Association. Let's keep at it, *it works*.

I would like to thank everyone who supported me this year, in many respects: Mike Stumbaugh-TM, Jeff Ringer-TM, Chris, John, Chuck and Russ, who I drove crazy with calendar stuff. Thanks, guys.

I would also like to thank the many other Chairmen and members who helped me out. Thank you for supporting your Association.

Fraternally, Mike Boris



Deputy Grand Regent Dr. Deb Frye



Co-Workers and Lodge Brothers-

What a different summer our Nation has encountered! We continue to have new and changing recommendations/requirements in place throughout our region on a daily basis. I hope that everyone in our fraternity has remained healthy! This has been a time of loneliness, separation and people who have suffered mental health issues during this pandemic. If you know someone in your community that has had a difficult time, please reach out to them.

How many of you read the article in the Moose Magazine "Health is Wealth"? How many of you "concentrate more on what we can do to improve our OWN health, rather than show how much cash we can blow on extravagance"? It's all about OUR health. I thought this was an excellent article especially during this current pandemic. It is all about change for the better for yourself! Do you drink the right fluids? Do you exercise? Do you smoke? Do you eat nutritious foods? It is time to look at yourself and make some changes for YOU! You are needed to help your chapter, your lodge, your community and the children at Mooseheart and the seniors at Moosehaven. Take a stand and make some changes in your OWN lifestyle.

It was an exciting evening at the Annapolis Lodge welcoming our Supreme Governor Bruce Berger and his wife, Donna! It was a wonderful time to meet and greet. Thanks to the kitchen staff for a delicious dinner also. Bruce spent several days visiting our Lodges and meeting the wonderful people within those lodges and chapters. We wish him a successful term!

By now many of you have elected, appointed and installed your officers and chairmen for this year. I wish each of you a successful and prosperous year. Make sure you attend your required officer training if you are working toward personal honors. Working together makes our fraternity much more enticing to our new members. Remember to get those new co-workers assigned to a committee and personally invite them to volunteer at your functions.

Please join me in congratulating Peggy Miles as your incoming Deputy Grand Regent for 2020-2021. I know she will do an excellent job in her new role!

Fraternally, $\mathcal{D}r$. $\mathcal{D}eb$ 5



Incoming Deputy Grand Regent Peggy Miles



Greetings from Incoming Deputy Grand Regent Margaret (Peggy) Miles, This year the announcement of our appointed positions was unusual due to our current COVID-19 situation and the International Convention bring done virtually. I was excited to be chosen, but also disappointed while I couldn't share the news with my Moose family, as well as all of those that would have been there in attendance. Congratulations to all the Jr. Graduate Regent for earning their Green Cap degree and to the Chapter for the Award of Achievement. No one can do this alone, it's a team effort.

It's a privilege and an honor to be appointed as your new Deputy Grand Regent for MD/DE/DC Moose Association. Let me introduce myself, Margaret Miles. Most of you were thinking

"Who is she?"; "Never heard of her?" Well most of you know me as Peggy Miles. Let me give you a little brief background information. I joined Harrington Chapter 1229 on April 10, 1994. I served the chapter in the following capacity as Mooseheart Chairman, Star Recorder Chairman, Higher Degree Chairman, Chaplain, Recorder (many times), Sr. Regent, Jr. Graduate Regent and Secretary Treasurer. I served on the Del-Mar Council of Higher Degree board as Secretary Treasurer. I'm on the Academy of Friendship Ritual Team and, fill in on the Green Cap Convocation Ritual Team. In 2014, became a member of the League of Guardians and as well Lifetime member. I'm a member of the 75 division of the Moose 25 Club. I received my Academy of Friendship on February 26, 2006, Star Recorder degree on June 20, 2008 in Las Vegas and College of Regent degree on July 2, 2011 in Anaheim CA. Enough about me!

On November 14, 2020 will be holding my reception at Harrington Moose Lodge starting at 3:00 pm. This is a tentative date; it all depends on the COVID-19 pandemic. Hope to see everyone there.

I hope everyone is ecstatic about being ONE MOOSE. As life changes so does our great Fraternity, as we become ONE MOOSE. Even, with this change our mission will never change by providing for our children at Mooseheart and our seniors at Moosehaven and our charitable endeavors. I encourage that every co-worker purchases a Lifetime membership so in May 2021 when we become One Moose you will not feel that increase in dues at the lodge level or the extra \$15.00 to belong to the chapter. As, once you become a lifetime Member your dues are covered for both the Chapter and Lodge level. I am very excited that as we become ONE it is our great equal opportunity for our chapter members to hold position in on the Lodge, District and Association level. I hope to see everyone at the Annual Convention on October 22 – 25, 2020 in person or virtually; that all depends on the pandemic and our Governors guideline restrictions on each state. Stay safe!!

Fraternally, Margaret "Peggy" Miles Incoming Deputy Grand Regent

Deputy Supreme Governor's Message

Travels with our Supreme Governor Bruce J. Berger

It is a tremendous honor to serve as your Deputy Supreme Governor. What a privilege it was being with our Moose International Supreme Governor, Bruce J. Berger and his with Donna. I must say this is one of the highest honors I've received as being a Moose Member.

Lodges we visited on our journey included: Wheaton, College Park, Rockville, Indian Head, Waldorf, Mechanicsville, Patuxent, Annapolis, Middletown, DE site of New Castle, Smyrna, Newark, Claymont and Marlboro. Seven of which had received the Premier Lodge Award.

I want to thank the lodges for their wonderful hospitality, generosity in treating us so special. Your lodges looked great inside and out. I was very obvious that since this pandemic all of you have put allot of work into your lodges and we Thank You.

I thank you Bruce and Donna for letting me be a part of your life for the time we spent. Being with you two I never have laughed so hard in my life from your stories and humor. Thank you so much.

Fraternally, Robert L. Hall, Deputy Supreme Governor



Pictured L to R: Deputy Supreme Governor Robert Hall, Supreme Governor Bruce Burger, MD/DE/DC Moose Legion Area Manager Danny Williams



Pictured L to R: Supreme Governor Bruce Burger, Past Supreme Governor Ron Sweetman, Deputy Supreme Governor Robert Hall, New Castle Lodge Governor Leo Custer & New Castle Lodge Prelate Jerry Hayman

Moose Legion Ambassador's Message



Congratulation, to the New Moose Legion Directors. I see new Directors in their position that have stepped up and I thank you for this. Let all our Moose Legions step up first making their Key Club Award and our year.

The world we are living in now is a much different one than a few months ago. The coronavirus pandemic has made drastic impacts on all of our lives and it appears it will continue to do so for the foreseeable future.

We must all work together in order to guide our fraternity through these times and ensure our children and seniors continue to have the safe homes and environment that they need and deserve. We must remain strong and understand this pandemic will eventually be over. We must continue to follow the guidelines to ensure we do our part to stop this pandemic.

I know it is really early in the Moose Year especially since we didn't really start until the 1st of July. We need to remember the year still ends on the 30th of April and looking at our membership numbers we have a lot of work to do.

Fraternally, Robert L. Hall, Deputy Supreme Governor

I am excited to be your new Moose Legion Ambassador looking working forward to working with our other Moose Legion Ambassador Bobby Hall.

Baltimore # 10 is beginning to plan a schedule of events for the Moose Legion All State celebration that was postponed from May 2020 till May of 2021, more to come.

A Lee Pool # 111 is having their annual golf tournament on August 22nd at TK's Back Nine Golf Course in Salisbury MD.

Blue Hen #186 is actively planning the rescheduled Moose Legion Maryland, Delaware and DC House annual fundraiser planned for March 2021. The drawing was held for the wood carving raffle which raised over \$1000.00 for the MD, DE DC House, which was won by Harry Blendt Smyrna Clayton, who donated it to be displayed in the Smyrna Clayton Lodge Home. I'm sure the lodge was excited to get this beautiful craving donated and, a big shout to Carl Ward of Lewes

Rehoboth for his talented carving abilities and donation. Looking forward to seeing everyone in Pittsburgh and your local celebrations during my visitations.

Fraternally, Brian Weaver



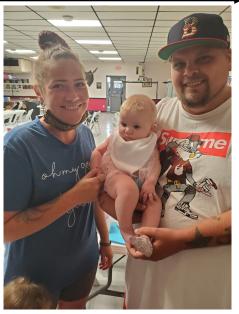
Williamsport restarted its Moose Legion Activities Committee breakfast. This past Sunday we raised \$480.00 and totaled \$65 Endowment. Past years accomplishments include, lodge security system, chairs for ballroom, and last year we purchased commercial freezer and refrigerator for the lodge. This years goal is to help the lodge build a new pavilion.

This Sundays event was helped by the support of many volunteers, both male and female. Roughly 15 persons help make this event successful.

We had guests visiting the lodge today. Moose Legion 218 President Joe Harrison and also Past President of the association Chuck Neal, who holds dual memberships with Williamsport and Moose Legion 218.

The Williamsport Moose hosted a Bingo for Baby Dashyia, who was born in January with heart issues, was immediately transferred to John's Hopkins, the parents spent her first two months in the hospital, without work. The event was scheduled to take place in March, but then Covid. We were all delighted to see her and the parents at the August event. All are doing well





No Message from Randy L. Freeman District 3 President





This Month's Friday Music Lineup



Bel Air Moose Lodge
Entertainment
6 - 10 PM



Live Music by

Sept 4 No Drama

Sept 11 This Your Monkey?

Sept 18 Mike McManus

Sept 25 Relicoustic



Starting October 10

Lappy Labor Day



Bel Air Moose Lodge 1952 welcomed their new Board of Officers on Monday July 27th. Congratulations to everyone





Left to Right: Pat Pieper, Ken Matthews, Darwin King, Mark Hanna, John Harkins, Hugh John Dougherty, Neil Huber, Mike Donhauser Jr, Mike Sherman Sr.



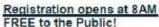
BEL AIR MOOSE LODGE #1952

CLASSIC CAR SHOW





Saturday, September 12, 2020 9AM - 3PM





Bel Air Moose Family Center 310 E Jarrettsville Road, Forest Hill, MD (Driveway next to Wargo's Restaurant)







FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

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All Custom and Classic Cars & Trucks are Welcome! \$15 Registration Fee



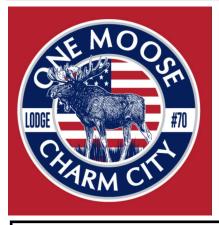
If you have questions? Call Terry 410-299-6064 (Leave a message if no answer)

To Benefit the Mooseheart Foundation (www.mooseheart.org)





Bel Air Chapter 1469 swore in their board and chairmen July 29th and theyt're looking forward to working with the Lodge Board of Officers. Pictured Left to Right: Barb Huber,- Communicty Service Chairman, Rebecca Doughtery—Jr Past Regent, Lisa Kimmey - Jr Regent, Debbie Michocki—Sr. Regent, Jackie Sherman—Mooseheart/Moosehaven Chairman, Phylis Harkins—Guide, Lori Snyder — Asst Guide, Jean Neal—Secretary/Treasurer





Don't miss a chance to collect Endowment! If a wide eye beautiful baby is handy, let them carry the bucket for collection! Jean Neal collected Endowment at Charm City East Moose Lodge 70 with an assist from Great Grandson, Liam Goldsmith. Liam couldn't 'hold' the bucket so he rode in it, but he was able to grab the funds offered. And like many 8 month olds do, he taste tested some . . . Nana was usually quicker, but hey—we all eat a bushel basket of dirt in our life time! YUCK!

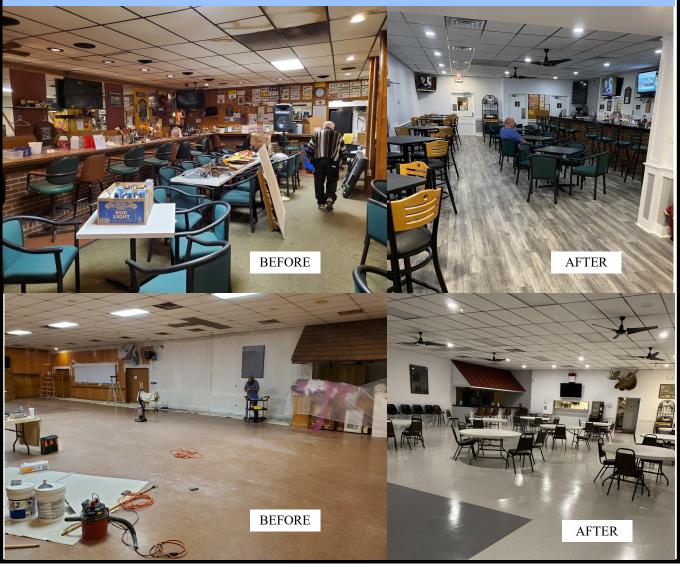


In order to stay open during the COVID-19 pandemic, the 5th District lodges have been busy making sure they are following the protocols from the State and County governments. Lodges are having a tough time planning events and getting back to a normal routine.

Good news no application fees for signing new members.

Lodges are still taking this time while either closed or modified opening hours to deep clean, paint, making repairs to their lodge homes. Wheaton Moose Lodge 1775 has completely remodeled inside their Social Quarters, Pilgrim Hall, game room and an extensive cleaning to the kitchen.

Stay well and stay safe!
Emmett Bisnett
5th District President
rebisnett@yahoo.com



If the Shoe Fits...it must be time to Donate!

Submitted By: Kathy Young

It is the small things that will make a difference in today's world and the ladies of the **Wheaton Chapter #1435** are always looking for ways to connect to the local community. Something as simple as sharing a story that was on our local news about two teenagers (Grace & Austin) who wanted to make a difference in times of quarantine by collecting 2,500 pairs of shoes.



Clearing my own closet, I managed to part with 30 pairs to donate. Heels, flats, business or casual, the shoe style or color didn't matter, I just knew that these shoes would put a smile on someone else's face. I decided to share my story at our Chapter meeting on a Monday night. I offered to collect any shoes the ladies wanted to part with, but the catch was they had to drop them by the Lodge by the next evening.

Happy to say just 24 hours later our Ladies came through with an additional 37 pairs of shoes. This small effort was a big win for our Chapter! A chance to clear closet space and within 48 hours donate a total of 67 pairs of shoes. Some say it takes a village, I say it only takes the MOOSE to make it happen. A special thanks to the ladies of the Wheaton Chapter#1435 for your participation and support in such a short period of time.



Please don't be afraid to look for these opportunities in your community, share an idea or get involved to support others. The reward is more than giving thanks but knowing that your efforts are helping so many in need during these difficult times we're facing. Happy to report Grace and Austin collected 3,700 pairs of shoes which will go to over 127 countries through a group called Sole2Soul, a non-profit that provides shoes across the world. In addition, they provided 5 local families a year's worth of food and shelter ~ not bad for two teenagers and the help of your community.

Annapolis Moose Lodge asks for support for this benefit raffle benefiting John Barber. The raffle will be held on September 12th.

MSAR

Benefit Gun Raffle For Johnny Barber

* Do not need to be present to win. Winner will be notified by phone and announced on the MSAR Facebook page. Winner must comply with all federal, state and local laws. Winner must be 21 years of age or older and legally able to take possession of the firearm. If the winner is unable to take possession of the firearm (i.e. they fail the background check) they forfeit the prize and a new winner will be picked. Out of state winners will be responsible for transfer fees. Raffle tickets are non-tax deductible.



John Barber a 44 year Moose member and 14 year Pilgrim, he is a loving Father, Grandfather, and friend/ brother to many.

He started this journey on 11-8-19 with the thoughts of a Quadruple Bypass. Unfortunately after the surgery he took a turn for the worse with a serious infection that would take him through 4 more surgery's and a almost 4 month stay in and out of hospitals and rehab. He is slowly healing and getting his life back to normal, but his bills from his long stays and surgeries are becoming more then he can afford. 100% of this Benefit will be donated to the Barber family to help with the medical bills and expenses.

Your help and support is appreciated!

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District 6

Greetings from District 6!

It's has certainly been an interesting start to the New Year for all the lodges and chapters in District 6 as well as across the fraternity. But we have all been pitching in and getting it done. Because, we our Moose and that's what we do.

It was a great honor to have the New Moose International Supreme Governor Bruce Berger from Pennsylvania as an official visitor. We certainly enjoyed his and his wife Donna's visit throughout the 4-day trip to the MD, DE and DC Association and honored we had the opportunity to enjoy their company at so many of the District 6 Lodges. On Saturday, we met with Bruce and Donna at the location of the new planned New Castle Lodge Home with Governor Leo Custer too check out the site and give a small tour. We were so happy to have Past Supreme Governor and New Castle lodge member Ronald Sweetman in attendance there, it sure was great to see him. We then traveled over to Smyrna Clayton in District 7 for lunch. We moved on to Newark with Sam Pierson the Governor, and we were very excited to see all the new renovations that they have done. It's looking great folks. Then we all took a little break until dinner time, when we all met back up @ the Claymont, DE Lodge and Mike Slotwinski Adminstrator for another wonderful visit, too where renovations were also, done and a great dinner was served. Bruce talked about One Moose and the fraternity coming together, and how important we are to the continued success of our lodges and chapters and the fraternity.

Here is a BIG BIG Shout out to the Elkton MD Lodge on the Premiere Lodge Award and, to New Castle DE Chapter on the Award of Achievement again this past year. Congratulations to all the new officers and chairman in all the lodges and chapters. Hope you all continue to be successful; we hope you all attend the Annual State Conference, however it might be done, virtually or in person. Stay Moose Proud.

Brian Weaver District 6 President

NEW CASTLE CHAPTER 1418

Hey! We all need them now don't we? Why not give yourself a selection of a mask wardrobe or have several to keep in advantageous places like several in your car, desk at work, in your purse, in your wife's purse, in your briefcase, etc. . . .

In case anyone is looking, New Castle Chapter #1418, is selling Embroidered Moose face masks. \$10.00 plus shipping.

These are really nice embroidered masks, handmade by one of our members. Please reach out to Patti Beach on FB or 302-981-2637





District 7

Brothers and Co-workers:

I hope everyone is doing well in this time of crisis, if not I send out my prayers and hope for you well being.

As we start opening our lodges back up, I hope we are working hard at getting our members back in. In our time of shout downs, I know we lost members, either for lack of money or not wanting to pay do to the shout down. As we reopen we should be working hard getting them back in. Bring our members back is is a big deal keeping our fraternity strong. We need all the help we can get. If it's the money we bring in from them to help Mooseheart or Moosehaven or volunteers to help our lodges, we need them back. This is our time to work on retention. Keeping our member numbers up is keeping the moose strong. The stronger we are the more we can help our kids and our ladies and gentlemen at Moosehaven. So, get your committees together and work on your retention.

Let's becoming one make a difference, and bring us stronger than ever. Being unity as one can only make us stronger.

Thank you District 7 President Tommy ll







Women of the Moose

Camden-Wyoming Chapter 1546 F.O. Box 153 Camden-Wyoming, DE 19934

DID YOU KNOW YOUR OLD SHOES CAN KEEP A CHILD OFF THE STREET?

We are excited about our next fundraiser because you don't have to buy anything! We are collecting gently worn, used and new shoes to raise money for our Chapter. Not only do you help us, but the shoes also get a second life with those in need. It's a double donation!

We have partnered with Funds2orgs for our fundraiser. This company helps families in other countries by providing gently used shoes to those in poverty. Also, it will help create micro-enterprises (small businesses) for individuals in some of the most underdeveloped economies in the world. It is a true win-win fundraiser. This is a great way to clean out your closets of shoes that are not being worn or don't fit just right!

I have enclosed a flyer of the Fundraiser. The times that are on the sheets are for when the lodge opens, hopefully by the end of June. For the time being if you have any shoes that you would like to donate, please give me a call and I will make arrangements to come pick them up.

Just an FYI, all shoes must be in good condition, clean gently worn, new and used, no loose soles/heels and no holes. Shoes with eyelets for laces must have both sets of laces

Thank you for taking the time to help with our Fundraiser!

Fraternally, Brenda Ellingsworth (302) 480-1978

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ALL SHOES ACCEPTED!!!

Help us raise funds for our organization by donating your gently worn, used and new shoes!

And don't forget to ask friends, family, neighbors and co-workers to donate too!

HOES WITH EYELETS MUST HAVE SHOELACES.

NO SHOES WITH LOOSE HEELS

NO WORN SOLES OR HOLES.

Collected shoes are used to support micro-enterprise vendors. Micro-enterprises are small businesses in developing nations. They are typically operated by one person or family and friends, depending on size.

WHERE & WHEN

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Membership Retention

MD/DE/DC Moose Association—Life membership Campaign

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

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

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

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

Membership Retention—cont'd

The WOTM Chapters will need to submit the Dues as one payment, payable to Moose International Dues Processing Center P.O. Box 88065 Chicago, IL 60680-1065, for this information you can visit the website www.mooseintl.org Member information/Campaigns/Membership Information/Life Membership. The Lodge would need to write a check for their portion to the chapter, as well as the member would need to write a check to the chapter for the remaining balance and then the Chapter would submit one check to Moose International with the members information. Receipts will always need to be issued to everyone. See the table below for Pro-Rated Options

Life Membership Pro-Rated Options

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

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

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

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

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

Fraternally yours,

Brian Weaver

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Young Men from MD/DE/DC Home Graduate

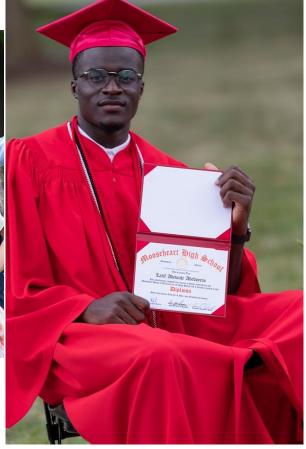
Endings and beginnings seem to be the theme of our Child City lately! Our General Director Scott Hart informed me that it'll be strange back to school this year. While most school systems are 1/2 virtual learning and 1/2 in person learning, Mooseheart will be full-time in classroom learning. However, all Illinois sports have been eliminated for the fall. Mooseheart will play intramural sports for the start of the school year.

Some of you may have had the opportunity to tune to the live broadcast on August 1st for the Mooseheart Class of 2020 Graduation. Three of our boys at MD/DE/DC Home graduated. the photo

Below, Eloy Munoz poses for a selfie with his family. His brother Gabriel can be seen in in the center of the family



Right, Latif Adeboyejo shows off his accomplishment by flashing his dipoloma.

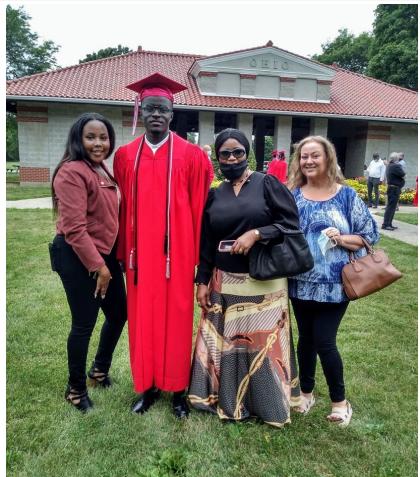


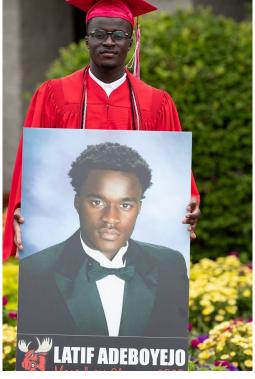




Enter to Learn
Leave to Serve

Young Men from MD/DE/DC Home Graduate





Latif is here with his family teachers and mom. Left to right: Alexis Wilks—Family Teacher, Latif, Mrs. Adeboyejo, Linda Worden—Family Teacher

General Director, Scott Hart addresses the socially distanced crown at Graduation and shared that this is not the first class to graduate during a pandemic. The class of 1919— Mooseheart's first graduating class graduated in midst of the Spanish Flu pandemic.



Young Men from MD/DE/DC Home Graduate



Latif accepts his diploma from Jr Past Supreme Governor, Rodgney Hammond.

Latif will be utilizing the Women of the Moose Scholarship attending Northern Illinois University Dekalb Illinois to study Bio Medical Engineering.

Eloy Munoz accepts his diploma as his brother, Gabriel, Family Teachers—Linda and Alexis, and his mom proudly all take photos of this momentous occasion. Eloy will be utilizing the Women of the Moose Scholarship and attending Illinois University Springfield to student criminal justice.





Julio Melendez will be utilizing the Women of the Moose Scholarship to attend Waubonsee Community College - Sugar Grove Campus. His major has not yet been determined.

We wish these three young men and all the graduates of the Class of 2020 the very best.

Moose Charities by Past Grand Regent Libby

Message from Libby –

Gosh, how time flies! It doesn't seem possible but here we are – 1/4 of our Chapter year is gone already, and for some, your chapter year has just begun. These past couple of months have surely been difficult for some of your chapters with the COVID 19, but hopefully you are up and running and trying to get on the road to success with your chairman, and have all your positions filled, including that **very important Moose Charities** Chairman. As you know, she would be a "Special Chairman" - not installed as one of your regular chairmen - but will be very helpful ful-

chairmen - but will be very helpful fulfilling the Chapter's obligations to take care of the "Cradle" and "Rocker" and hold other fundraisers to support our beloved Mooseheart and Moosehaven, which is so vital for their survival.

Let us not forgot what we are here for and why we are members of this great "Moose" fraternity. Our children at Mooseheart and our seniors at Moosehaven depend on us for their future care.

As I mention "Moose Charities", I do want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your help at our Mid-Year conference in Ocean City. We have good Co-Chairman that were on a mission, rolled up their sleeves, and helped prepare the future survival of our "Twin Cities" by raising money for Moose Charities. There was a lot going on and I know most of you spent your hard-earned money which helped make us be successful! You purchased tickets for the beautiful baskets, 50/50's and perhaps a new badge holder, or perhaps some delicious desserts or treats. From these approved WOTM fundraising projects, we raised a total profit of **\$2,827.00**. With the approval from the Grand Chancellor, all proceeds were remitted to Women of the Moose, earmarked for our very own MD-DE-DC Home, since the "WOTM Centennial Project" was completed. Plus, our Endowment Chairman raised \$115.00 on her Basket Raffle which was earmarked "Endowment Fund" which secures the future of our beloved Mooseheart & Moosehaven. Once again, this was donated by Loretta Clark.

Looking at these figures, it is under our previous years of fundraising, but now that we have joint meetings with the LOOM, we do not have a 50/50 raffle at the extra 3 meetings we held previously as WOTM. Still, I cannot thank each of you enough for your participation and help in making this so successful. Special thanks go out to everyone. We

couldn't have been so successful if you hadn't been there to help us, either by donating, purchasing, or working. This shows what we can do when we all 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. Everything combined; we brought in a total of **\$2,942.00** for Moose Charities!

Again, I remind you that our very own MD-DE -DC Moose Association has taken on the responsibility of a **YEARLY** commitment of

\$60,000, to fund our very own MD-DE-DC Home at Mooseheart. That is why we earmarked the checks to support our Association's Project.

You can also help with your personal donations throughout the year. 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 and please be sure to include your Moose membership number on the check, so you get credit for it. Remember these are "our children" who reside at Mooseheart and our "senior members" of our fraternity, and they are what we are all about! Let's get the job done in our Chapters and Lodges and fulfill this commitment, each and every year.

And, YES - we are all about Money and Members! Our membership is still not where it used to be in our Chapters and Lodges. Membership continues to decline! **Members are our survival**, so let's work on this weak spot, work retention by making those personal phone calls, make those necessary changes in your chapter and lodge home which will bring our members back into our fold and make our Association #1. **We can do it – When we all work together!**

In Friendship, Sibby



Government Relations Message by Bessie Staab Hickman

Hello again, here's praying that everyone is safe and healthy. This covid has certainly taken its toll on all our plans. We hear so many conflicting things about how or what to do that it seems you really have to use all your good "horse sense" and do what is working for you. This is not the first time that many of us in our "old younger years" have faced trials of this nature. We had to take each day as it came dealt with it and went on to the next day.

I dread the news, and detest a lot of it. But we still have to deal with whatever comes. I was caught in the riots in the sixties, we were lucky to have made it home, the block where I was employed was on fire and bricks were being thrown



into our building, lucky our car faced one driveway where we were able to exit onto a street to the turn-pike while dodging the bricks and bottles. After things calmed down, new laws and regulations were fashioned and put in place. I have no doubt the same thing will occur when the dust settles. So we will need to be watching for new regulations to make sure we do not lose anything when they occur and are implemented. Granted we are not and cannot be a political group, nor should we be, but, we must see that we do not lose our rights and status as a non-profit fraternity. When these changes are going into play is when we may need to stand up and be counted. There may be hard and troubled times ahead and we need to be prepared.

Here we are coming up on and election at the same time when many feel like we are in the twilight zone or another country. But we can accomplish nothing by doing nothing. Please exercise your right to vote, my feeling is with all the things we hear and see on the news it is a ploy to keep many intimidated so they will stay at home and not cast a ballot. I really don't trust the mail in I received a letter for the primary to a mail-in vote they sent me two, one was for someone who had passed and had not been on the voting rolls for several years. There have been many others in my area with the same happening. For me, too many errors on the request for a mail in vote. Rivers of blood has been spilled to make sure that we have the freedom and the rights promised in our constitution please do not throw it away.

God Bless America and may He Keep You and Yours Safe

Moose Legion

As of this writing International Moose Legion Conference is still on schedule for Halloween weekend (October 30th – November 1st, 2020) in Pittsburgh, PA. We have a fun filled weekend planned. All the information can be found on MD DE DC web site or Intl. web site. I am hoping that all Moose Legions in the MD DE DC jurisdiction will be represented at this conference. If anything changes I will notify each and every Moose Legion.

Our main project this year is Carpet Replacement and remodeling the House of God at Mooseheart for approximate amount of \$60,000.00. All Moose Legions have received

their assessments and if able I'm hoping they are paid early to receive the discounts.

The Intl. Presidents Project is to purchase a vehicle at Moosehaven to transport our seniors to off campus doctor visit when needed for the approximately \$30,000.00. We encourage any Moose Legion member or Moose Legion to donate what they feel is appropriate. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated.

Once again we will be accepting donations for the travel of our Mooseheart Boys and Girls (separately) to visit Moosehaven next year. Any and all donations will be appreciated.

Thank You for all you do and keep up the great work in our Lodges, Chapters, Moose Legions and our "One Moose" Fraternity in the trying times we are in. Stay safe!

Respectfully submitted, Danny Williams, Sr. PIP MD DE DC & WV Area Manager

Moose Charities

Hoping this report finds you all safe and healthy during this Pandemic. Stay safe and wear your masks! "Thank You" to everyone who has donated to Moose Charities in the past 5 months during this Covid-19. It's very much appreciated for all your generous donations.

Just to give you a rundown as of April 30, 2020, we were over our goal toward the MD DE DC Home Project by \$43,991.81. Special "Thank You" to Laurel Lodge donation of \$50,000.00.

So far we have donated \$61,842.75 toward our MAC (Mooseheart Activities Center) another Special "Thank You" to Laurel Lodge donation of \$50,000.00.

Donations to the Endowment Fund totaled \$134,669.82 from all Lodges, Chapters, Moose Legions and Members.

The Cradle Fund in October 2019 was \$3,765.00 and the Rocker Fund in February 2020 was \$3,568.00.

Thank You, Thank You for all donations to Moose Charities no matter where you gave !!!!!!

We had 14 Moose Families who were "League of Guardians" during this past year and each Family donated at least \$1,000.00 during this Moose Year and they are as follows......Molly Atkinson, Rosalyn Bowman, Frank Courtney & Kathy Young, Alfred Crump, Jeanie and Tim Gaverth, Dana and Joe Harrison, Kenneth Hunt, Sarah Lentz, Nancy and Cim L.'Heureux, Margret and Chris Miles, Jean and Chuck Neal, Eric Ritter, Mike Stumbaugh, Mary Ann and Livingston (Jamie) Vann, and Beryl and Danny Williams Sr. Many "Thanks" for this valuable group of devoted members!

Stay safe and keep the faith out there... Danny Williams, Sr. PIP MD DE DC Moose Charities Chairman



Pilgrim Degree



Hello from your Pilgrim Chairman

By now I am sure all pilgrims have received my letter along with the questionnaire. Thank you to all who have returned it, to those who still have not returned them please get those to me as soon as possible either by mail or email it its easier. We are trying to get our records up to date and this is needed to insure that happens. If you did not receive one, please contact me immediately and I will make sure you receive a copy. It is with sadness and heavy hearts that we advise of the passing of the following Pilgrims in 2020.

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Wayne G. Ecker	1/8/2020	Bel Air	#1952
Richard P. Griner	1/13/2020	Newark	#630
William C. Bachman	2/8/2020	New Castle	#1578
Calvin C. Fairbank	4/23/2020	Cambridge	#1211
Donald Shelnutt	5/17/2020	New Castle	#1578
Leonard G. Seay	6/27/2020	Charm City	#70

Looking forward too seeing you all at our next convention or around the Association wherever that may be.

Fraternally yours,

Brian Weaver

MD, DE, DC Pilgrim Chairman 302-462-8470 bweaver3316@hotmail.com



Association Membership Campaigns

MD,DE,DC Moose Association

WIN A LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Sign 25 members male or female to any Lodge/Chapter within the MD,DE,DC, Moose Association and win a life membership to your Lodge or Chapter. This program is retroactive from May 1st 2020 and runs until April 30th 2021.

Winners will be announced in May 2021



Growing Together Campaign

The Maryland, Delaware and D.C. Moose Association is introducing a Long Term Membership Campaign which will retroactively run from May 1, 2020 until April 30, 2021.

This Campaign will be called Growing Together and will be based on Moose International Year end Totals. The winning Lodges will each receive \$1,000 which can be used for overall operations. Any Chapter of a winning Lodge who has helped that Lodge by signing Male members will receive \$500. As an incentive for the Districts to see this project thru you will receive \$100 for each Lodge making this achievement. Below is listed the categories that each lodge will have to achieve to qualify for the Association Award.

- Increase in members 1 more than last year
- Increase in endowment by \$1 over last year cannot miss more than 3 payments
- Must receive grades of good or better on HOC reports (all 4)
- Decrease in AR to Moose International
- Submit Moose of the Year on time
- Transmit *ALL* Financials to MI by the 10th of each month
- Register for International Convention/Association Convention
- Hold no less than 6 enrollments or orientations; minimum 1 every 2 months
- Preferred member percentage of 5% or more

2020 FULL YEAR MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

A DAY ON THE RAILS

WIN A THREE-HOUR SIGHTSEEING TOUR FOR TWO!

Climb aboard the classic Potomac Eagle #722, a restored 1952 F-7 diesel, and return to a more civilized era of travel

11.1.'19 - 10.1.'20

Two tickets each for the top two new member recruiters!





TICKETS ARE NON-TRANSFERABLE

International Membership Campaigns



May 1, 2020 - April 30, 2021

Working together toward the same goal, side by side as equals, on the same team. Stronger together as we work to build our Fraternity for generations to come.

Sponsor 1 Member One Moose pins are presented by your Lodge, Chapter or Moose Legion to individuals that sponsor their first member during the campaign.







Sponsor 5 Members Funds will be donated toward the purchase of new golf carts for use throughout the Moosehaven campus. Plans are to purchase one multi-person golf cart and two regular golf carts. Contributions are courtesy of your Association, the Women of the Moose and the Moose Legion.

Sponsor 25 Members Members attaining Sponsors of Distinction status by sponsoring 25 members during the One Moose membership drive will receive free basic registration for our 2021 International Moose Convention in Cincinnati, OH, Additional information can be found on www.mooseintl.org.

The program has been extended until 2022! Earn Rewards simply for doing things that strengthen the Order: sponsor a member; serve in office; **REWARDS** renew your dues or complete training. Each activity generates points automatically that you can use to pay dues, contribute to Mooseheart/Moosehaven, or redeem for Moose gift store purchases. Check your Moose Rewards points total today at **www.mooseintl.org** to see how many you have earned! Also, look for special promotions throughout the year for your chance to earn greater rewards.

MD/DE/DC Moose Association Event



http://www.separatewaystheband.com/
Get to know a little more about Separate Ways The Band!

Have you ever wished you could have the authentic Journey experience in the days of the masterful voice of Steve Perry and the supreme musicianship and chemistry of Neal Schon, Jonathan Cain, Ross Valory and Steve Smith? Are you ready to be taken on a Journey like never before? Now is your chance! Separate Ways The Band, the Ultimate Tribute to the music of Journey, truly defies description, featuring Dan Gagliano, Jason Mitchell, Mick Loro, Jim Kull and Dave Ramani, five amazing musicians recreating the music of Journey.

This is the closest you'll get to see the early-mid 80's line-up of Journey live, ever. An accurate portrayal of the Steve Perry era is duplicated in every way. Experience all of the subtle nuances, inflections, harmonies and visual gratifications of seeing the original Journey show. Separate Ways The Band brings the highest level of musicianship to the audience while showing a true respect for the music of Journey. An evening with Separate Ways The Band is truly an "unforgettable" experience, which is why they are "the next best thing to Journey!"

Don't miss the Ultimate Tribute to the music of Journey with Separate Ways The Band...



November 7, 2020

Kevin Ray as "Neil Diamond" Tribute 7:00 —Separate Ways Journey Tribute 8:30

Upcoming Schedule

8/22/2020	Association Picnic Annapolis Lodge		
9/12/2020	Mooseheart will hold its Annual Homecoming Weekend on September 12th, 2020. The Red Ramblers Soccer Team will be playing the Illinois Math and Science Academy at 1pm on this day. More information will be made available as the date nears.		
9/27/2020	Association Meeting Bel Air Lodge		
10/10/2020	**COMMUNICATOR SUBMISSION DEADLINE**		
10/ 21-25 /2020	Association Convention @ Princess Royale Ocean City MD		
11/7/2020	Association Fundraising Event: Journey Tribute Band Show — \$35/pp Opening by DJ Kevin Ray as "Neil Diamond" Meal available separately from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. \$10—includes: 2pc fried chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, roll/butter, iced tea/coffee		
1/10/2021	**COMMUNICATOR SUBMISSION DEADLINE**		
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The Moose - A fraternal and service organization of 1.5 million men and women in four nations, dedicated to bettering the lives of children and elderly in need, to helping our communities on both the national and local level, and to providing family recreation at a modest cost.

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

James J. Davis

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